



Indonesia plane crash search finds remains, debris at sea

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JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — Rescuers in inflatable boats retrieved human remains, pieces of aircraft and personal belongings from the Java Sea on Monday after a new-generation Boeing jet operated by an Indonesian budget airline crashed minutes after takeoff, killing all 189 people on board. Distraught family members struggled to comprehend the sudden loss of loved ones in the crash of the 2-month-old Lion Air plane with experienced pilots in fine weather. They gathered at crisis centers set up by the authorities at airports, hoping desperately for a miracle. But a top search official, citing the condition of the remains recovered, said no survivors are expected.



Members of Indonesian Search and Rescue Agency (BASARNAS) inspect debris recovered from near the waters where a Lion Air passenger jet is suspected to crash, at Tanjung Priok Port in Jakarta, Indonesia Monday, Oct. 29, 2018.

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Pentagon sending 5,200 troops to border week before midterms

By **ROBERT BURNS, COLLEEN LONG and JILL COLVIN**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — A week out from the midterm elections, the Pentagon said Monday it is sending 5,200 troops, some armed, to the Southwest border this week in an extraordinary military operation to stop Central American migrants traveling north in two caravans that were still hundreds of miles from the U.S. The number of troops is more than double the 2,000 who are in Syria fighting the Islamic State group. President Donald Trump, eager to focus voters on immigration in the lead-up to the elections, stepped up his warnings about the caravans, tweeting: "This is an invasion of our Country and our Military is waiting for you!"

His warning came as the Pentagon began executing "Operation Faithful Patriot," described by the commander of U.S. Northern Command as an effort to help Customs and Border Protection stiffen defenses at and near le-



A new group of Central American migrants bound for the U.S border, wade in mass across the Suchiate River, that connects Guatemala and Mexico, in Tecun Uman, Guatemala, Monday, Oct. 29, 2018.

gal entry points. Advanced helicopters will allow border protection agents to swoop down on migrants trying to cross illegally, he said. "We're going to secure the border," Air Force Gen. Terrence O'Shaughnessy, the

Northern Command leader, said at a news conference. He spoke alongside Kevin McAleenan, commissioner of Customs and Border Protection.

Eight hundred troops already are on their way to southern Texas, O'Shaughnessy said, and their numbers will top 5,200 by week's end. He said troops would focus first on Texas, followed by Arizona and then California.

The number of people in the first caravan has dwindled to 3,500 from about 7,000, though a second one was gaining steam and marred by violence. About 600 migrants in the second group tried to cross a bridge from Guatemala to Mexico en masse on Monday but were met by ranks of Mexican federal police who blocked them from entering. The riverbank standoff followed a more violent confrontation Sunday when the migrants used sticks and rocks against Mexico police. One migrant was killed Sunday night by a head wound, but the cause was unclear. The first group passed through the spot via the river — wading or on rafts — and was advancing through southern Mexico. That group appeared to begin as a collection of

about 160 who decided to band together in Honduras for protection against the gangs who prey on migrants traveling alone and snowballed as the group moved north. They are mostly from Honduras, where it started, as well as El Salvador and Guatemala. Overall, they are poor, carrying the belongings that fit into a knapsack and fleeing gang violence or poverty. It's possible there are criminals mixed in, but Trump has not substantiated his claim that members of the MS-13 gang, in particular, are among them. The president's dark description of the caravan belied the fact that any migrants who complete the long trek to the southern U.S. border already face major hurdles, both physical and bureaucratic, to being allowed into the United States. Migrants are entitled under both U.S. and international law to apply for asylum, but it may take a while to make a claim. There is already a bottleneck of asylum seekers at some U.S. border crossings, in some cases as long as five weeks.

McAleenan said the aim was to deter migrants from crossing illegally between ports, but he conceded his officers were overwhelmed

by a surge of asylum seekers. He also said Mexico was prepared to offer asylum to the caravan.

"If you're already seeking asylum, you've been given a generous offer," he said of Mexico. "We want to work with Mexico to manage that flow."

The White House is also weighing additional border security measures, including blocking those traveling in the caravan from seeking legal asylum and preventing them from entering the U.S.

The military operation drew quick criticism.

"Sending active military forces to our southern border is not only a huge waste of taxpayer money, but an unnecessary course of action that will further terrorize and militarize our border communities," said Shaw Drake of the American Civil Liberties Union's border rights center at El Paso, Texas.

Military personnel are legally prohibited from engaging in immigration enforcement. The troops will include military police, combat engineers and others helping on the southern border. The escalating rhetoric and expected deployments come as the president has been trying to turn the caravans into a key election issue just days before the midterm elections that will determine whether Republicans maintain control of Congress.

"This will be the election of the caravans, the Kavanaughs, law and order, tax cuts, and you know what else? It's going to be the election of common sense," Trump said at a rally in Illinois on Saturday night. On Monday, he tweeted without providing evidence: "Many Gang Members and some very bad people are mixed into the Caravan heading to our Southern Border."

"Please go back," he urged them. "you will not be admitted into the United States unless you go through the legal process. This is an invasion of our Country and our Military is waiting for you!" □

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Trump escalates anti-media rhetoric after wave of violence

By CATHERINE LUCEY
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Grappling with a wave of election-season violence, President Donald Trump escalated his rhetoric against the news media on Monday even as he made plans for a somber visit to Pennsylvania to mourn a synagogue massacre that left 11 dead.

Days after the shooting at a Pittsburgh synagogue and a mail-bomb scare targeting prominent Democrats and CNN, Trump argued that “fraudulent” reporting was contributing to anger in the country and declared that the press was the “true Enemy of the People.” White House spokeswoman Sarah Huckabee Sanders continued in the same vein at a press briefing, saying: “The very first action that the president did was condemn these heinous acts. The very first thing that the media did was condemn the president, go after him, try to place blame.”

While Trump has condemned the Pennsylvania shootings as an anti-Semitic act and has decried political violence, he also has continued his political schedule over the past week and largely kept up his criticism against Democrats and the media. The White House has rejected any suggestion that the president’s harsh rhetoric contributed to the toxic moment. And Sanders made clear Trump was unlikely to change course, saying the president will “continue to fight back” against critics. Trump will travel to Pennsylvania on Tuesday with first lady Melania Trump. Sanders said

Trump would go “to express the support of the American people and to grieve with the Pittsburgh community.” The White House did not immediately provide further details on Trump’s trip, which drew mixed reactions in Pittsburgh.

Leaders of a liberal Jewish group in Pittsburgh penned an open letter to Trump before the White House announced the plans, saying he was not welcome in the city until he denounced white nationalism. But Rabbi Jeffrey Myers, of the Tree of Life synagogue, made clear he would be welcome, telling CNN: “The President of the

United States is always welcome. I am a citizen. He is my president. He is certainly welcome.” “If the President is looking to come to Pittsburgh, I would ask that he not do so while we are burying the dead. Our attention and our focus is going to be on them, and we don’t have public safety that we can take away from what is needed in order to do both,” Peduto said. The White House did not immediately respond to the mayor’s request. Asked if Trump has done enough to condemn white nationalism, Sanders said he “has denounced racism, hatred and bigotry in all forms on a



In this Oct. 26, 2018 photo, President Donald Trump points to the media as he speaks during a campaign rally in Charlotte, N.C. Trump is accusing the media of being “the true Enemy of People” in the wake of a mass shooting and a mail bomb plot.

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number of occasions.” She added: “Some individuals — they’re grieving, they’re hurting. The president wants to be there to show the support of this administration for the Jewish

community. The rabbi said that he is welcome as well.” Throughout his Republican campaign and presidency, Trump has been an unrelenting critic of the media. □



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Security-challenged firms are gatekeepers of U.S. elections

By **FRANK BAJAK**

AP Cybersecurity Writer

The ultimate gatekeepers of U.S. election integrity may well be its weakest security link.

A trio of privately held companies sells and services more than 90 percent of U.S. elections systems. But the companies have long stressed convenience for its customers over product security, security experts and elections officials said.

That complicates efforts to detect a repeat of Russia's 2016 election meddling, or other intrusions by sophisticated hackers.

The three companies — ES&S of Omaha, Nebraska; Dominion Voting Systems of Denver and Hart InterCivic of Austin, Texas — face little public accountability and operate under a shroud of financial and operational secrecy despite their pivotal role underpinning American democracy.

They face scant federal oversight yet effectively run elections, directly or through subcontractors, in much of the nation — especially where tech expertise and budgets are thin. No federal authority accredits the vendors or vets them. High barriers to entry and low profits discourage the very innovations that could enhance security, experts say.

"They cobble things together as well as they can" because building truly secure systems would likely erase their profits, said University of Connecticut election-technology expert Alexander Schwartzman.

Executives of all three of the top vendors refused to discuss their companies' finances and have resisted exposing their products to the scrutiny of independent researchers and Congress.



In this July 11, 2018, photo, Peter Lichtenheld, vice president of operations for voting systems vendor Hart InterCivic, testifies during a Senate hearing on election security in Washington.

Associated Press

"These companies want to be gatekeepers of our democracy but they seem completely uninterested in safeguarding it," Sen. Ron Wyden, an Oregon Democrat, complained in a July congressional hearing.

The top three vendors call such concerns overblown, and say there is no indication hackers have penetrated any of their systems. But authorities say serious election mischief may have gone unnoticed, and hackers could theoretically wreak havoc at multiple stages of the election process. They could alter or erase lists of registered voters to sow confusion, secretly introduce software to flip votes, scramble tabulation systems or knock results-reporting sites offline with denial-of-service attacks.

On July 13, U.S. special counsel Robert Mueller indicted 12 Russian military intelligence operatives for, among other things, infiltrating state and local

election systems.

Election vendors have long resisted open-ended vulnerability testing by independent, ethical hackers — a process that aims to identify weaknesses an adversary could exploit. Such testing is now standard for the Pentagon and major banks.

Nevertheless, the vendors insist security is a priority. ES&S, for instance, said in an email that "any assertions about resistance to input on security are simply untrue" and argued that for decades the company has "been successful in protecting the voting process."

Experts point to numerous indications of sloppy software development and unfixed vulnerabilities.

"The industry continues to stonewall the problem," said Bruce McConnell, a Department of Homeland cybersecurity czar during the Obama administration. Election-vendor executives issue bland assurances

but don't, for instance, offer "bug bounties" to researchers who look for software flaws, he said.

In July, ES&S told The Associated Press that it allows independent, open-ended testing of its corporate systems as well as its products. But the company would not name the testers and declined to provide documentation of the testing or its results.

Dominion's vice president of government affairs, Kay Stimson, said her company has also had independent third parties probe its systems but would not name them or share details.

Hart InterCivic, the No. 3 vendor, said it has done the same using the Canadian cybersecurity firm Bulletproof, but would not discuss the results.

ES&S hired its first chief information security officer in April. None of the big three would say how many cybersecurity experts they employ. Dominion's Stimson said "employee con-

fidentiality and security protections outweigh any potential disclosure."

During this year's primary elections, ES&S technology stumbled on several fronts. In Los Angeles County, more than 118,000 names were left off printed voter rolls. A subsequent outside audit blamed sloppy system integration by an ES&S subsidiary during a database merge.

University of Iowa computer scientist Douglas Jones said both incidents reveal mediocre programming and insufficient pre-election testing. And voting equipment vendors have never seemed security conscious "in any phase of their design," he said.

California, New York and Colorado are among states that tend to keep a close eye on the vendors. States with cozier relationships have in the past let them use remote-access software to do maintenance on election systems, a widely discredited security faux pas.

And ES&S continues to sell vote-tabulation systems equipped with cellular modems, a feature experts say hackers could potentially exploit, entering election management modules and tamper with vote counts.

A few states ban such wireless connections. Maryland recently got rid of them and Alabama forced ES&S in January to remove them from machines.

Said John Bennett, the Alabama secretary of state's deputy chief of staff who worked the issue: "It seemed like there was a lot more emphasis about how cool the machines could be than there was actual evidence that they were secure." □

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Members of the Riverside Police Department investigate the scene of a shooting at Sevilla Nightclub in Riverside, Calif., on Monday, Oct. 29, 2018.

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7 shot, hurt at California nightclub holding Halloween party

RIVERSIDE, Calif. (AP) — Seven people were shot and wounded early Monday during a Halloween party at a Southern California nightclub, police said. The shooting was reported at a nightclub called Sevilla in the city of Riverside that had promoted a weekend of Halloween-themed events, including a Sunday night rap show billed as "The First Purge" or "The Purge Election Year." Two victims found by officers inside the nightclub were taken to a hospital for treatment. Five other victims later arrived at local hospitals with gunshot wounds, police said. Police watch commander Sgt. Ryan Wilson said none

of the victims' wounds were life-threatening. One witness who did not want to be identified told KTLA-TV that he was dancing when gunshots rang out.

He said he saw multiple people firing guns and that there was a bottleneck of people trying to get out of the exit as he hid behind the bar and prayed.

The initial police investigation shows that a fight broke out at the club and those involved began exchanging gunfire both inside and outside, said Officer Ryan Railsback, a department spokesman.

Investigators are looking into whether the shooting was gang-related, Railsback said.

The investigation was being handled by the department's robbery-homicide and gang intelligence units.

Riverside is about 55 miles (88.5 kilometers) inland from Los Angeles. □



A general look of the marquee outside of the Wanaque Center For Nursing And Rehabilitation, where New Jersey state Health Department confirmed the 18 cases of adenovirus, Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2018, in Haskell, N.J.

Associated Press

Training teams sent to centers amid deadly viral outbreaks

By **MIKE CATALINI**
Associated Press

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — New Jersey health officials said Monday they are sending infection-control teams to four long-term pediatric centers and a hospital to assist with training amid viral and bacterial outbreaks that have left 10 people dead. The teams will assess infection prevention practices and deploy beginning in November, according to Health Commissioner Dr. Shereef Elnahal. The response comes amid a fatal adenovirus outbreak at the Wanaque Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation that left 9 people dead, most under age 18. In addition, a premature baby died following the discovery of a bacterial infection at Newark's University

Hospital this month, state health officials have said.

"Facility outbreaks are not always preventable, but in response to what we have seen in Wanaque, we are taking aggressive steps to minimize the chance they occur among the most vulnerable patients in New Jersey," Elnahal said in a statement.

Those affected at the Wanaque center range in age from toddlers to young adults.

Adenovirus usually poses little risk for healthy people and typically causes mild cold or flu symptoms. Some strains also cause diarrhea and pinkeye.

The strain found in the rehab center outbreak — type 7 — is among the more potent types and sometimes causes more se-

rious respiratory illness, especially among those with weak immune systems.

The first symptoms showed up Sept. 26, and the state was notified of an outbreak Oct. 9, officials said. The department said later Monday there have been 26 adenovirus cases confirmed at the center.

The agency said the most recent individual became sick on or before Oct. 22, which remains the last day when a patient showed new symptoms.

The 227-bed, for-profit facility has a pediatric center and also cares for elderly residents. No new residents are being admitted for the duration of the outbreak, which won't be declared over until the center can go four weeks without any new cases. □



Anti-Semitic incidents were on the rise even before shooting



In this Feb. 27, 2017, file photo, Rabbi Joshua Bolton of the University of Pennsylvania's Hillel center surveys damaged headstones at Mount Carmel Cemetery in Philadelphia.

Associated Press

By **DAVID CRARY**
AP National Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Swastikas scrawled into Jewish students' notebooks.

Headstones toppled and desecrated by vandals at Jewish cemeteries. Jews falsely blamed for challenges facing the nation.

The shooting rampage that killed 11 people at Pittsburgh's Tree of Life Synagogue on Saturday is being decried as the deadliest attack on Jews in U.S. history, allegedly carried out by a virulently anti-Semitic gunman. The carnage, however unprecedented, is not an aberration.

Year after year, decade after decade, anti-Semitism proves to be among the most entrenched and pervasive forms of hatred and bigotry in the United States. Jews make up only about 2 percent of the U.S. population, but in annual FBI data they repeatedly account for more than half of the Americans targeted by hate crimes committed

due to religious bias. The Anti-Defamation League identified 1,986 anti-Semitic incidents in the U.S. in 2017, up from 1,267 in 2016, and also reported a major increase in anti-Semitic online harassment.

Anti-Semitism surfaces often in the research conducted by the Southern Poverty Law Center, which tracks various U.S. hate groups, including neo-Nazis, white nationalists, skinheads and others.

"They're all anti-Semites — that's the tie that binds them," said Heidi Beirich, director of the center's Intelligence Project. "They believe Jews are pulling the strings behind bad things happening in this country." Of the thousands of anti-Semitic incidents in the U.S. in recent decades, only a handful were deadly.

Among the most recent: —In June 2009, a gunman who had anti-Semitic writings in his car killed a security guard while trying to enter the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum.

—In April 2014, Frazier Glenn Miller Jr. fatally shot a 69-year-old man and his 14-year-old grandson at a Jewish community center in suburban Kansas City, then killed a woman at the nearby Village Shalom retirement center.

Long before those incidents, many synagogues and Jewish organizations in the U.S. had been ramping up security measures.

Fifteen years ago, the Anti-Defamation League issued a 132-page guidebook titled, "Protecting Your Jewish Institution: Security Strategies for Today's Dangerous World."

It includes detailed advice on controlling access to the premises, and also urged leaders of institutions to think carefully about whether or not they wanted to hire armed guards. After hearing news of the Pittsburgh shooting, President Donald Trump speculated that the death toll would have been smaller if an armed guard had been in the building.


Stephen Cohen, a co-president of one of the congre-

gations that used the Tree of Life Synagogue, said leaders of the facility had conducted active shooter drills in the past, and considered themselves well-trained in how to handle security crises. However, a rabbi-emeritus at the synagogue, Alvin Berkun, said guards — while used during the major Jewish holy days — were not on duty Saturday. "I doubt there's a synagogue in the US that doesn't think seriously about security," said Beirich of the Southern Poverty Law Center. "It's really sad that you can't go to a house of worship without thinking you're taking your life in your hands."

Anti-Semitism has deep roots in many places far from the U.S., including Western Europe. In Germany, which recorded 1,453 anti-Semitic incidents in 2017, police officers are often stationed outside synagogues and other Jewish institutions. Similarly in France, where anti-Semitic violence increased by 25 percent last year, police and military patrols are deployed to help protect synagogues. Matthew Berger of Hillel International, a worldwide Jewish student organization, said there has been an increased focus on security in recent years.

"By and large, we want to be an open and engaging community," he said. "We work tirelessly to balance that desire to be available and open with the security needs of our community." According to the Anti-Defamation League, anti-Semitic incidents on college and university campuses in the U.S. nearly doubled in 2017, rising to 204 from 108 in 2016. At K-12 schools, 457 anti-Semitic incidents were reported, including swastika graffiti and playground bullying.

In a separate report, released last week, the ADL said far-right extremists have ramped up an intimidating wave of anti-Semitic online harassment against Jewish journalists, political candidates and others ahead of the Nov. 6 midterm elections. □



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South Dakota execution to go on after hours of court delays

By DAVE KOLPACK and JAMES NORD
Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court cleared the way Monday for the execution of a South Dakota man who killed a prison guard in a failed escape seven years ago after a last-minute legal bid to block Rodney Berget's death delayed his execution for hours past its scheduled time.

Berget, 56, will be put to death Monday for the 2011 slaying of Ronald "R.J." Johnson, who was beaten with a pipe and had his head covered in plastic wrap at the South Dakota State Penitentiary in Sioux Falls. It will be the state's first execution since 2012 and just its fourth since reinstating the death penalty in 1979.

Berget was serving a life sentence for attempted murder and kidnapping when he and inmate Eric Robert attacked Johnson on April 12, 2011 — Johnson's 63rd birthday — in a part of the penitentiary known as Pheasantland Industries, where inmates work on upholstery, signs, furniture and other projects. Berget has admitted to his role in the slaying. After Johnson was beaten with a pipe, the two inmates wrapped the guard's head in plastic and left him for dead. Robert put on Johnson's pants, hat and jacket and pushed a cart loaded with two boxes, one with Berget inside, toward the exits. They made it through one gate but were stopped by another guard before



Lynette Johnson talks about her late husband RJ Johnson Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2018, at her home in Sioux Falls, S.D.

they could complete their escape through a second gate.

Robert was executed on Oct. 15, 2012, weeks before the state's last execution. Berget's mental status and death penalty eligibility slowed his case. Berget in 2016 appealed his death sentence, but later asked to withdraw the appeal against his lawyers' advice. Berget wrote to a judge saying he thought the death penalty eventually would be overturned and that he couldn't imagine spending "another 30 years in a cage doing a life sentence."

Gov. Dennis Daugaard has said he had no plans to block the execution. The state Supreme Court rejected two motions seeking to stop the execution, one filed by a woman whose

son is serving a life sentence and the other by an attorney without Berget's support. The attorney later petitioned the U.S. Supreme Court to stay Berget's execution, saying that he's intellectually disabled and therefore ineligible for the death penalty. Attorney General Marty Jackley said the high court denied that request.

Johnson's family planned to witness the execution, which was scheduled for 1:30 p.m. but was delayed as the state waited for direction from the Supreme Court. Jackley said the execution would move forward Monday evening.

Johnson's widow, Lynette Johnson, sized down R.J.'s wedding ring and now wears it next to her own; she keeps his watch — its hands frozen at the time he

executions. South Dakota has not had issues with obtaining the drugs it needs, as some other states have, perhaps because the state shrouds some details in secrecy. Lawmakers in 2013 approved hiding the identities of its suppliers.

After the execution, witnesses and others will meet with media at a guard training academy that was named for Johnson. It was dedicated one year after his death.

Berget will be the second member of his family to be executed. His older brother, Roger, was executed in Oklahoma in 2000 for killing a man to steal his car.

Opponents of the death penalty gathered for a vigil outside the South Dakota prison, some joining in a circle and singing. Sioux Falls resident Elaine Engelgau, 62, who sat behind a sign attached to a cross reading: "JESUS: HE WITHOUT SIN, CAST THE FIRST STONE," said she was praying that the execution would be halted. □

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was attacked — in a clear case next to photos above her fireplace. The Department of Corrections has said it plans to use a single drug. Its policy calls for either sodium thiopental or pentobarbital. Pentobarbital was used in its last two

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Indonesia plane crash search finds remains, debris at sea

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The disaster is a setback for Indonesia's airline industry, which just emerged from decadelong bans by the European Union and the U.S. over safety concerns. President Joko Widodo ordered an investigation and urged Indonesians to "keep on praying."

The crash of the Boeing 737 Max 8 is the latest in a series of tragedies that have struck Indonesia this year, including earthquakes and a tsunami that killed several thousand people.

An air transport official, Novie Riyanto, said the flight was cleared to return to Jakarta after the pilot made a "return to base" request two to three minutes after taking off. It plunged into the sea about 10 minutes later. Weather conditions were normal but the plane, which Lion Air received in August, had experienced an unspecified technical issue on its previous flight.

Relatives and friends wept, prayed and hugged each other as they waited at Jakarta's airport and at Pangkal Pinang's airport on Bangka island off Sumatra where the flight was headed. Some including Indonesian Finance Minister Sri Mulyani headed to the search and rescue agency's headquarters in Jakarta for information. About 20 ministry staff were on the flight. Latief Nurbana said he and his wife Yeti Eka Sumiati stayed up late Sunday talking to their 24-year-old son Lutfi Nuramdani, squeezing every moment they could from his weekend visit to



Relatives of passengers comfort each other as they wait for news on a Lion Air plane that crashed off Java Island at Depati Amir Airport in Pangkal Pinang, Indonesia Monday, Oct. 29, 2018.

Associated Press

Jakarta to catch up on his life in Pangkal Pinang.

Nurbana said they talked until falling asleep and Sumiati woke up early to take their son, a post office worker, to the airport.

"Last night, we were chatting together about his wife who is now seven months' pregnant, his plans and his dreams with his own small family until we fell asleep," he said as his wife wept and clung to him.

"Now he's gone. We can't believe that he left us this way, we can't believe that his plane crashed. That's something we only see on TV news, now it happened to my son," Nurbana said. "We want to see his body, his face, his remains."

More than 300 people including soldiers, police and fishermen are involved in

the grim search, retrieving aircraft debris and personal items such as a crumpled cellphone, ID cards and carry-on bags from the seas northeast of Jakarta.

Search and Rescue Agency chief Muhammad Syauqi said he's certain it won't take long to locate the hull of the aircraft and its black box due to the relatively shallow 25 to 30 meter (100 to 115 foot) depths of the waters it plunged into. Three specialized search ships, including one from Singapore, were headed to the crash location.

The jet, on a 1-hour flight, was carrying 181 passengers, including one child and two babies, and eight crew members.

Lion Air said there were two foreigners on the plane: one of the pilots, Indian na-

tional Bhavye Suneja, and an Italian citizen.

Friends and relatives gathered at the pilot's family home in New Delhi to comfort his immediate family.

"His father is stunned and not in a condition to talk or do anything. Sister and mother have not come out. They are distressed," said family friend Anil Gupta.

The pilot of Flight 610 had more than 6,000 flying hours while the co-pilot had more than 5,000 hours, according to Lion Air.

The Transport Ministry said the plane took off from Jakarta at about 6:20 a.m. and crashed just 13 minutes later. Data from FlightAware showed it had reached an altitude of only 5,200 feet (1,580 meters).

Boeing Co. said it was "deeply saddened" by the

crash and was prepared to provide technical assistance to Indonesia's crash probe.

The 737 Max 8 was leased from China Minsheng Investment Group Leasing Holdings Ltd., according to the official China News Service.

Malindo Air, a Malaysian subsidiary of Lion Air, was the first airline to begin using the 737 Max 8 last year. The Max 8 replaced the similar 800 in the Chicago-based plane maker's product line.

Lion Air president-director Edward Sirait said the plane had a "technical problem" on its previous flight from Bali to Jakarta but it had been fully remedied. He didn't know specifics of the problem when asked in a TV interview.

"Indeed there were reports about a technical problem, and the technical problem has been resolved in accordance with the procedures released by the plane manufacturer," Sirait said. "I did not know exactly but let it be investigated by the authorities." The crash is the worst airline disaster in Indonesia since an AirAsia flight from Surabaya to Singapore plunged into the sea in December 2014, killing all 162 on board.

Indonesian airlines were barred in 2007 from flying to Europe because of safety concerns, though several were allowed to resume services in the following decade. The ban was completely lifted in June. The U.S. lifted a decadelong ban in 2016. □

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Israeli PM, chief rabbi at odds over Pittsburgh synagogue

By ARON HELLER
 Associated Press

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Monday that the 11 Jewish victims of the Pittsburgh shooting attack were killed in a “synagogue,” taking a veiled swipe at the country’s ultra-Orthodox chief rabbi, who had refused to designate the Conservative Jewish congregation as such. The exchange exposed some of the recent strains between Israel and the more liberal Jewish Diaspora, even in the wake of the deadliest anti-Semitic attack against Jews in U.S. history.

The shooting has drawn fierce condemnations and calls for unity among Jews in Israel and around the world. Several ultra-Orthodox Israeli newspapers, however, refrained from calling Pittsburgh’s Tree of Life Synagogue a Jewish place of worship since they don’t recognize non-Orthodox denominations, instead mostly referring to it as a “Jewish center.” Similarly, Chief Rabbi David Lau told a local newspaper that the shooting attack was “unforgivable” but also referred to the Conservative synagogue merely as “a place with a profound Jewish flavor.” In a tweet, Netanyahu

seemed to rebuff him. “Jews were killed in a synagogue. They were killed because

and Conservative streams of Judaism, to which most American Jews belong. Netanyahu’s coalition gov-

haven’t been valued in Israel as equals despite their ardent backing and identification.

ter, which critics at home and abroad say has undercut Israel’s traditional democratic values, has also irked American Jews, who increasingly find themselves at odds with the government’s nationalist, religious and pro-settlement bent.

Yair Lapid, head of the centrist opposition Yesh Atid party, said the tragic shooting should serve as a reminder to “those who claim the Reform and the Conservative are not real Jews.”

He called on the government to restore the mixed-gender prayer site and to recognize the conversions of all strains.

“The state of Israel bows its heads for their deaths, but this is not enough,” he said in parliament. “Not only in their deaths are they Jews like us, but in their lives. Not only in their deaths should the government respect them, but also in their lives.” □



People walk past a projection on the Old City wall in Jerusalem, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018 in a commemoration of the victims of a deadly shooting at a Pittsburgh synagogue.

Associated Press

they are Jews. The location was chosen because it is a synagogue. We must never forget that. We are one,” he wrote. Israel’s ultra-Orthodox authorities maintain a strict monopoly over daily Jewish life in the Holy Land, including oversight of weddings, divorces, conversions and burials. They often question the faith and practices of the more liberal Reform

ernment relies on the support of key ultra-Orthodox parties and he has often had to capitulate to their demands on matters of religion and state. The ultra-Orthodox establishment views other strains of Judaism as too lax and is deeply opposed to interfaith marriage and the ordination of women and gays, while American Jews have increasingly felt that they

A government decision to scrap plans for a mixed-gender prayer area at Jerusalem’s Western Wall, and insults hurled at those pushing for it, has led American Jewish leaders to warn that it could undermine their long-standing political, financial and emotional support for Israel. The recent passing of a controversial law enshrining the state’s Jewish charac-



Merkel won't seek a 5th term as German chancellor

By **GEIR MOULSON** and **DAVID RISING**

Associated Press

BERLIN (AP) — Angela Merkel set off Monday on what could be a three-year countdown to the end of her leadership of Germany, a stint that has made her the European Union's longest-serving leader and a key figure in facing the continent's many crises.

Merkel announced that she will give up the leadership of her conservative Christian Democratic Union in December and won't stand for a fifth term as chancellor — signaling the beginning of the end at the helm for the woman many had labeled the "leader of the free world."

That's a title she herself objected to, saying leadership is never up to one person or country.

But she has been a stalwart face of Western democracy through turbulent times, including the European debt crisis, the migrant influx of 2015, Britain's decision to leave the EU and escalating trade tensions with the United States.

With her announcement, she indicated she has no intention of shirking from the "major foreign policy challenges" ahead, suggesting by taking the question of her future out of the picture her often rancorous coalition might govern better.

"With this decision, I am trying to contribute to allowing the government to concentrate its strength, finally, on governing well — and people rightly demand that," Merkel said.

Merkel, 64, has led the CDU since 2000 and Germany since 2005.

She governs Germany in a "grand coalition" of what traditionally has been the country's biggest parties — the CDU, Bavaria's conservative Christian Social Union and the center-left Social Democrats.

She announced her decision the day after voters punished both her CDU and the Social Democrats in an election in the central state of Hesse.

It came two weeks after a



German Christian Democratic Party, CDU, chairwoman and Chancellor Angela Merkel addresses the media during a news conference after a party's leaders meeting at the headquarters the in Berlin, Germany, Monday, Oct. 29, 2018.

similar debacle for the CSU and Social Democrats in neighboring Bavaria.

Her announcement comes amid growing concerns about far-right nationalist parties making inroads in Europe, including Germany. Sunday's result in Hesse means that the Alternative for Germany party now holds seats in every state legislature and federal parliament.

Many in Europe also have looked to Merkel as U.S. President Donald Trump has increasingly called into question traditional trans-Atlantic ties with his announcements of trade tariffs, repeated criticism of European contributions to NATO, and other issues. Merkel has walked a fine line, criticizing some of Trump's decisions while

emphasizing that a good relationship with Washington is "central" to her government.

At the moment, it is still too early to tell whether she will be able to govern effectively as a lame-duck chancellor, or if it will strengthen her coalition, said Thorsten Faas, political science professor at Berlin's Free University. "The pressure obviously was so great that there was no other solution left," he said. "It will be interesting to see what happens now, because this is initiating a dynamic, the outcome of which is unforeseeable today." For her part, Merkel said she sees "many more opportunities than risks for our country, the German government and also my party" in setting a transition of power in motion.

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She said she hopes to open the way for "new success for the CDU" by letting it prepare for her departure as chancellor, and she won't interfere with the choice of a successor.

Carsten Brzeski, an economist at ING-DiBa in Frankfurt, said Merkel's move "holds the potential for positive developments."

"Not so much because new is always better but rather because it could give Merkel the freedom and the tail wind — freed from party ties — to put a final stamp on her legacy, possibly with bolder steps to reform the German economy and the monetary union," he said.

Merkel will now concentrate on smoothing over the differences in her government to keep it running

until the end of the parliamentary term in 2021, which is far from guaranteed. The Social Democrats only reluctantly joined her coalition in March, and another crisis or an already-agreed midterm review next fall could spell its end.

The Social Democrats' leader, Andrea Nahles, said she hopes the CDU leadership contest will end arguments within Merkel's bloc about its direction and leaders. If things go well, "it could have a positive effect for us and our work together." Two prominent candidates immediately threw their hats in the ring: Annegret Kramp-Karrenbauer, 56, the party's general secretary, who is viewed as a Merkel ally and largely backs her centrist approach; and Health Minister Jens Spahn, 38, an ambitious conservative who has talked tough on migration and has criticized Merkel. Another more conservative figure, Friedrich Merz, also reportedly planned to seek the leadership. Merz lost his post as the party's parliamentary leader to Merkel in 2002 and has been absent from front-line politics in recent years.

It had been widely assumed this would be Merkel's final term in office, but the comments were the chancellor's first public confirmation.

Merkel's predecessor, Gerhard Schroeder, stepped down as leader of his Social Democrats in 2004 but remained chancellor until narrowly losing a re-election bid 18 months later. □

Police crack down on Barcelona heroin dens, arrest 55

ARITZ PARRA

The Associated Press

MADRID (AP) — Spanish police arrested at least 55 people Monday in Barcelona during a massive crackdown on the squalid apartments used for migrant and drug trafficking in the north-eastern Catalonia region. More than 700 investigating agents and 150 local police officers took part in Monday's anti-drug traf-

ficking operation, the regional Mossos d'Esquadra police said in a series of tweets.

An Associated Press photographer saw scores of heavily armed police bringing suspects out of a building and hauling them into police vans.

Police helicopters flew over Barcelona for most of the morning.

Police said the operation

came after a two-year investigation into the rings running the drug den apartments.

A court in Barcelona authorized 40 searches on such apartments, also known as "narco flats," in the central Raval and Gothic neighborhoods, according to the regional judiciary administration.

With crime statistics on the rise in recent years, Barcelo-

na residents have blamed the growing insecurity on the spread of illegally occupied flats used as drug distribution and consumption centers, mostly for heroin.

The Catalan police said before Monday's crackdown, authorities had dismantled 100 such apartments and arrested 139 people linked to drug trafficking in the past two years. □



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Female suicide bomber wounds 9 in Tunisia's capital

By **BOUAZZA BEN BOUAZZA**
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Associated Press

TUNIS, Tunisia (AP) — A female suicide bomber wounded nine people, mostly police officers, on a busy avenue in Tunisia's capital on Monday afternoon, authorities said.

The 30-year-old woman set off the blast in Tunis just before 2 p.m. (1300 GMT) on Habib Bourguiba avenue, the Interior Ministry said.

The bomber, who wasn't previously known to authorities, blew herself up near a police patrol, a ministry statement said. It said eight police officers and one civilian were wounded. Apart from the bomber, there were no further re-

ported deaths.

An AP reporter at the scene saw ambulances arriving to take the wounded to hospitals. The avenue, as well as several adjacent streets, was cordoned off by police. Habib Bourguiba avenue is considered the cultural, political and economic heart of Tunis — and is sometimes called Tunisia's Champs Elysees.

Tunisian radio station Mosaïque FM said the attacker was wearing a home-made bomb belt with a small quantity of explosives. The station cited a security source it did not name. The bomber's body appeared largely intact after the explosion.

Tunisian President Beji Caïd

Essebsi called the bombing a terrorist attack, in comments reported from Germany, where he was attending an investment conference.

There were no immediate claims of responsibility.

Mosaïque FM said the bomber came from the Mahdia region of eastern Tunisia and that security services raided her home after the attack.

Tunisian authorities have been on high alert in recent years following a spate of attacks including a deadly shooting in Tunis' Bardo National Museum in 2015 in which 22 people, including many European tourists, died.

Three months later, an Is-



Tunisian forensic experts work on the scene of an attack after a 30-year-old woman blew herself on the Habib Bourguiba avenue in Tunis, Tunisia, Monday, Oct. 29, 2018.

Associated Press

lamic extremist attack in the beach resort of Sousse killed 38 people, mostly British tourists.

In November that year, a suicide bomber blew him-

self up on a bus carrying members of the Tunisian presidential guard, killing 12 on a main Tunis road. The Islamic State group later claimed responsibility. □

Africa not creating enough jobs for booming youth population

JOHANNESBURG (AP) — A new report says African nations are failing to create enough jobs for a booming young population even as some countries have seen strong economic growth.

The latest Ibrahim Index of African Governance sounds a warning for a continent where the sub-Saharan population is projected to double by 2050.

The report released Monday says Africa's overall GDP has risen nearly 40 percent over the past decade but the continent's average score for sustainable economic opportunity has increased just a fraction of 1 percent.

Africa is seeing the rise of young opposition leaders in countries like Uganda, Zimbabwe and Cameroon who are impatient with some of the world's oldest or longest-serving heads of state. Earlier this month, some in East Africa

said they would unite with like-minded colleagues in West and southern Africa to form a movement to challenge the misrule that has plagued the continent.

Experts warn of coming turbulence as about 60 percent of Africa's population is under age 25, with birth rates among the highest in the world and health conditions improving for many. The United Nations says sub-Saharan Africa is projected to be the source of more than half of the world's population growth between now and 2050, straining countries' abilities to provide good education, jobs and health care. "Africa has a huge challenge ahead. Its large and youthful potential workforce could transform the continent for the better, but this opportunity is close to being squandered," Mo Ibrahim, the Sudan-born billionaire who leads the foundation behind

the new report, said in a statement. "The evidence is clear - young citizens of Africa need hope, prospects and opportunities. Its leaders need to speed up job creation to sustain progress and stave off deterioration." Strong economic growth doesn't necessarily lead to more opportunities, the new report says. Nigeria, Angola, Sudan and Algeria have some of the highest GDP in Africa but are among the lowest for job creation. The report also warns that education in 27 countries across the continent is now on the decline, further hurting the young population's future.

And "alarmingly, citizens' political and civic space in Africa is shrinking," the report adds, meaning less room for an increasingly connected, tech-savvy population to express concerns and seek solutions, with potentially explosive results. □



A member of a scientific team boards the Okeanos Explorer ship of the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, in San Juan, Puerto Rico, Monday, Oct. 29, 2018.

Associated Press

Scientists to explore new sites in Puerto Rico, U.S. VI waters

By **DANICA COTO, Associated Press**

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP)

— Scientists will explore new sites in deep waters surrounding Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands to learn more about coral and fish habitats as part of a 22-day mission led by the U.S. government.

The team aboard the 224-foot (68-meter) Okeanos Explorer also will map geological features up to 3.7 miles (6,000 meters) deep to better understand hazards such as earthquakes that have hit the Caribbean region in recent years, Daniel Wagner, expedition coordinator with the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, said on Monday.

"We will probably see things that have never been documented," he said. "Some of the places we're diving have never been mapped before."

The mission starts Tuesday and ends Nov. 20. The team will target waters around Puerto Rico and St. Croix island in an operation involving 210 scientists around the world, most of whom will be watching live video feeds, with the ability to instantly request imagery or collection of samples.

The 20 sites the ship will visit were chosen from a list of 80 submitted by scientists worldwide, with eight-hour dives taking place during

the day and mapping being done at night, Wagner said. They include marine protected areas.

Scientists will use sonar systems and remotely operated vehicles to track deep-water fish, sponges and corals, as well as to explore valleys, trenches, submarine canyons and two large tectonic plates located north of Puerto Rico.

Studies of populations of groupers and red snapper are a priority because they are commercially popular fish, scientists said.

One of the mission's objectives is to support conservation and management efforts, said Steven Auscavitch, the expedition's co-leader.

"We know virtually nothing about what is at the bottom of these areas," he said.

Derek Sowers, who will oversee the mapping mission, said some sonars will help determine the abundance of life in deep waters, while others will be used to map the seafloor and analyze what it's composed of, down to 260 feet (80 meters) beyond the bottom. It's part of a larger expedition aimed at learning more about the North Atlantic Ocean. The scientists say that waters around Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands are among the least explored waters in any U.S. jurisdiction. □



People vote on whether to continue with the \$13 billion airport to replace the current Benito Juárez International Airport, in Mexico City, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.

Associated Press

Mexico referendum nixes partly built \$13 billion airport

By **MARK STEVENSON Associated Press**

MEXICO CITY (AP)

— Mexico's President-elect said Monday he will respect the result of a referendum that rejected a partly built new airport for Mexico City, effectively ending the \$13 billion project.

"The decision taken by the citizens is democratic, rational and efficient," Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador said after 70 percent voted against the plan. "The people decided."

It is unclear what will be done with the enormous foundations already built on the site, a former lakebed known as Texcoco.

The organizers of the referendum reported late Sunday that just over 1 million people participated in the referendum. The vote has been criticized, in part because only about one out of every 90 registered Mexican voters participated.

Mexico's peso dropped by about 2 percent against the U.S. dollar on Monday morning after the decision was made public, trading at about 19.77 to \$1. The Mexican stock exchange's IPC index dropped about 3 percent in early trading. Critics had said the cancellation might affect investor confidence in Mexico, but Lopez Obrador said investors, debt holders and contractors in the abandoned

project will be protected. Lopez Obrador had pledged during his campaign to cancel the Texcoco project, claiming it was marred by overspending and corruption.

He instead favors adding two commercial runways to a military air base in the town of Santa Lucia, about 28 miles (45 kilometers) away. That would imply an improved road to get there from Mexico City and the current 1940s-era airport. The current, saturated airport would have been closed had Texcoco been built. Lopez Obrador said he had received assurances from international experts that the current airport and Santa Lucia could operate simultaneously. Still, given the distances between the current airport, the planned Santa Lucia terminal and the satellite airport in the nearby city of Toluca, it remains unclear how people could make connecting flights within any reasonable amount of time.

He said that Mexicans will save about \$5 billion by abandoning the unfinished Texcoco project, which was started with what critics said was little real environmental study by current President Enrique Peña Nieto. It was supposed to be the signature infrastructure project of Peña Nieto's administration, though it

wouldn't have been finished for several years more. But the outgoing administration was marked by corruption and allegations of insider dealing with contractors, which helped propel Lopez Obrador to the presidency.

The referendum held over several days last week marked the first time such a large project had been submitted to a public debate and vote. Lopez Obrador said the decision meant "corruption has ended."

Mexico's business community — which overwhelmingly supported the now-cancelled project — questioned the referendum, which they said was unofficial, unrepresentative and biased.

"We recognize that the citizens expressed their opinion in the referendum," wrote Juan Pablo Castanon, the head of Mexico's Business Coordinating Council, an industry group. "But we repeat our position that the referendum, as it was organized, should not be binding and did not offer guarantees of impartiality certainty and objectivity." Later, Castanon fiercely criticized Lopez Obrador's decision to obey the vote, saying it "seriously hurts Mexico's image in the world" and "sends a message of uncertainty" to financial markets. □

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Corruption Survey by the Centrale Bank of Aruba

ORANJESTAD — During the period of November 12 through November 26, 2018, the Centrale Bank van Aruba (CBA) will conduct a "Corruption Survey" in our community to assess the perceived level of corruption in Aruba through an in-depth analysis of the information collected. Several international organizations, such as Transparency International, frequently execute surveys on the level of corruption in several countries. As Aruba is not part of these international surveys, and important data on corruption is not available, the CBA has decided to conduct a "Corruption Survey", using the same methodology and questions applied by Transparency International and also some questions related to Aruba's own situation.

With this survey, the CBA aims to acquire valuable information on the experi-



ence and perception of Aruban residents with regard to corruption and gain insight on possible remedial actions and/or effective measures to counteract this phenomenon. This survey includes, among others, questions about the

level of corruption, the experience with corruption when using services particularly in the public sector, the experience when reporting corruption, and the need for additional anti-corruption measures.

To assist the CBA in gathering this important information, a group of interviewers will visit selected households and conduct the interviews on behalf of the CBA.

These interviewers will be wearing an I.D. badge with

CBA logo. They have the obligation to keep all the information they receive during the survey strictly confidential.

The CBA is aware that a large part of this information is sensitive and, therefore, stresses that this survey is strictly anonymous and guarantees that all information received will be treated with the utmost confidence and will be only used on an aggregated basis for statistical and analytical purposes.

The CBA hopes that all persons approached by these interviewers to participate in this survey will give their maximum cooperation. If you have any question about this survey, please contact Mrs. Edwina Matos-Pereira, Manager Strategy & Planning of the CBA and also the project leader of this survey, at tel. 5252100 or via e-mail: e.e.matos-pereira@cbaruba.org. □

A Divine Prayer

Dear God

I surrender to you all my pain and suffering, my doubts and fears.

I know With You all that may seem dark can turn to Light

Please guide me and set my feet towards You and not the path that I have taken and ended up here where I can't seem to find You

Help me to forgive my past, restore and heal me.

Please lift me up and give me strength and please help me not stray again

Help me live the life you intend for me to live

I am at your feet

Amen



Suresh Mirchumal is a spiritual writer. "Well, you can categorize it like that, although I don't call myself one. These thoughts come in effortlessly." His aim is in a way to reach out to whoever gets inspired or has an eye opening event within them that may transcend their current state of consciousness. "Or let's say current emotional state too. If one in a thousand benefits, that is already great." Due to the current world state, lots of struggles and stresses, we seem to lose touch with that inner peace that we long for, Suresh explains. "I wish to ease that through these small articles or tidbits." You will find his tidbits in Aruba Today, like a sunray of the day. If you wish to make use of Suresh's services like meditation or just a talk, please email to: TheDimensionofSilence@gmail.com. You can also like his Facebook page Dimension of Silence.



Are you ready for Island Takeover Festival?

ORANJESTAD: Final preparations are going on at different locations to guarantee the best festival of the year. The festival will have international artists such as J Balvin from Colombia, Bad Bunny from Puerto Rico, Alex Sensation from Miami and from Aruba JEON.

The main event will take place on Friday November 2nd at the Harbor Arena. All necessary preparations are being conducted. The stage is already armed, lights are installed and the big LED screen is already up. Elite Productions & Entertainment will take care of the installation of the sound and final details. For Island Takeover everything starts on Thursday November 1st with a Warm-Up Event at Craft and Gusto. There will be presentations of Dj Kash, Music Monks, Big Rig, Renzo and special guests. On Friday November 2nd the party will continue with the Big Concert by J Balvin, Bad Bunny, Alex Sensation and JEON. JEON will have a show with lots and lots of surprises. You can expect both local and international artists on stage with JEON. MC Christick, 101, Yeimy y Nutzbeatz will also be part of this big event. Saturday November 3rd there will be the famous pool party hosted by Partai and EF at the Renaissance Marina Pool starting from 12 PM till



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8 PM. The party continues afterwards with the EF Partai Beach Party at the Surfside Beach with Guy Gerber, Matthias Tanzman, Abril Love, Misty Tee and many more. This will start at sunset until late hours.

Sunday November 4th will be the end of the event with a 'Closing Beach Party' at the Surfside beach with Dj Crea-8 & Friends from New York also DJ Sky, Kash, Big Rig, Renzo M, Chris Strick, Samil and many more. The beach party starts at 1 PM.

There are only a few days left for the biggest party of 2018. A record selling tickets for this event has been recorded during the pre-sale event. There is a great expectation from visitors from abroad flying in just to be part of this concert.

Passes for the festival are for sale at Citgo Boulevard, Citgo Palm Beach, Citgo Essoville, Superfood and AITO Pop Up Store at the Renaissance Marketplace. Passes available are for seatings at General Section, VIP Standing, and VIP Table. For more information call 569-6446.

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Honoring of Distinguished Visitors at Divi Tamarijn

ORANJESTAD — Recently, Jonathan Boekhoudt of Aruba Tourism Authority had the great pleasure to honor Loyal and Friendly visitors of Aruba as Distinguished Visitors. The symbolic honorary title is presented on behalf of the Minister of Tourism, Transportation, as a token of appreciation to the guests who visit Aruba between 10-20 and more consecutive years.

The Honorees are Mrs. Lisa Arcari-Cummings from Florida and Mr. Aidan Gillespie from Massachusetts. The event which commemorates their 10th consecutive visit to the island was held at the Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort.

They have been coming to Aruba for many consecutive years. They love coming to the island for its people, weather and staff at the Divi Tamarijn

Jonathan together with representatives of Divi Tamarijn, presented the certificate to the honorees and handed over some presents to them. These certificates are a way to say "Masha Danki" for continuously choosing Aruba as a favorite vacation destination and as their home away from home for so many years. □



Researching the history of Eagle



ORANJESTAD — Students of Hogeschool Rotterdam are in Aruba to conduct a research and develop a plan for the area of Eagle.

For the 5th year in a row, students from Hogeschool Rotterdam are in Aruba. This time they are focusing on the neighborhood of Eagle. For a 2-week period, they will be receiving lectures from different people and organizations such as

The Monument Bureau, TNO, Fundacion Museo Arubano, Jaap Beaujon, Aruba Ports Authority, the Academy of Fine Arts & Design, House of Mosaic and Stichting Monumentenfonds Aruba. After the lectures, they will work intensively on a project in which they will create a plan for this area to stimulate the development without losing its history. The students are staying at

the house of Jaap Beaujon which is located in Eagle. This house was originally built by Arend Petroleum Company, which used to be a refinery in the area of Eagle. These houses are linked to the period of the Dutch East Indies Company. These houses were built for the directors of the company at that time, but later were offered to the locals. At the end of the workshop the students will present their results. This will take place on November 5th, 2018. They are trying to collect as much info as possible about Eagle. If you have photographs of this area from years ago, please email them to info@monumentenfondsaruba.com or call at 82-4014. Stichting Monumentenfonds Aruba would like to thank the people and the organizations who are contributing for this project, Jaap Beaujon, Superfood, House of Mosaic, Eagle Roofing and MVC Eagle. □



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SPORTS



Cleveland Browns coach Hue Jackson meets with reporters after an NFL football game against the Pittsburgh Steelers in Pittsburgh, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018. The Steelers won 33-18.

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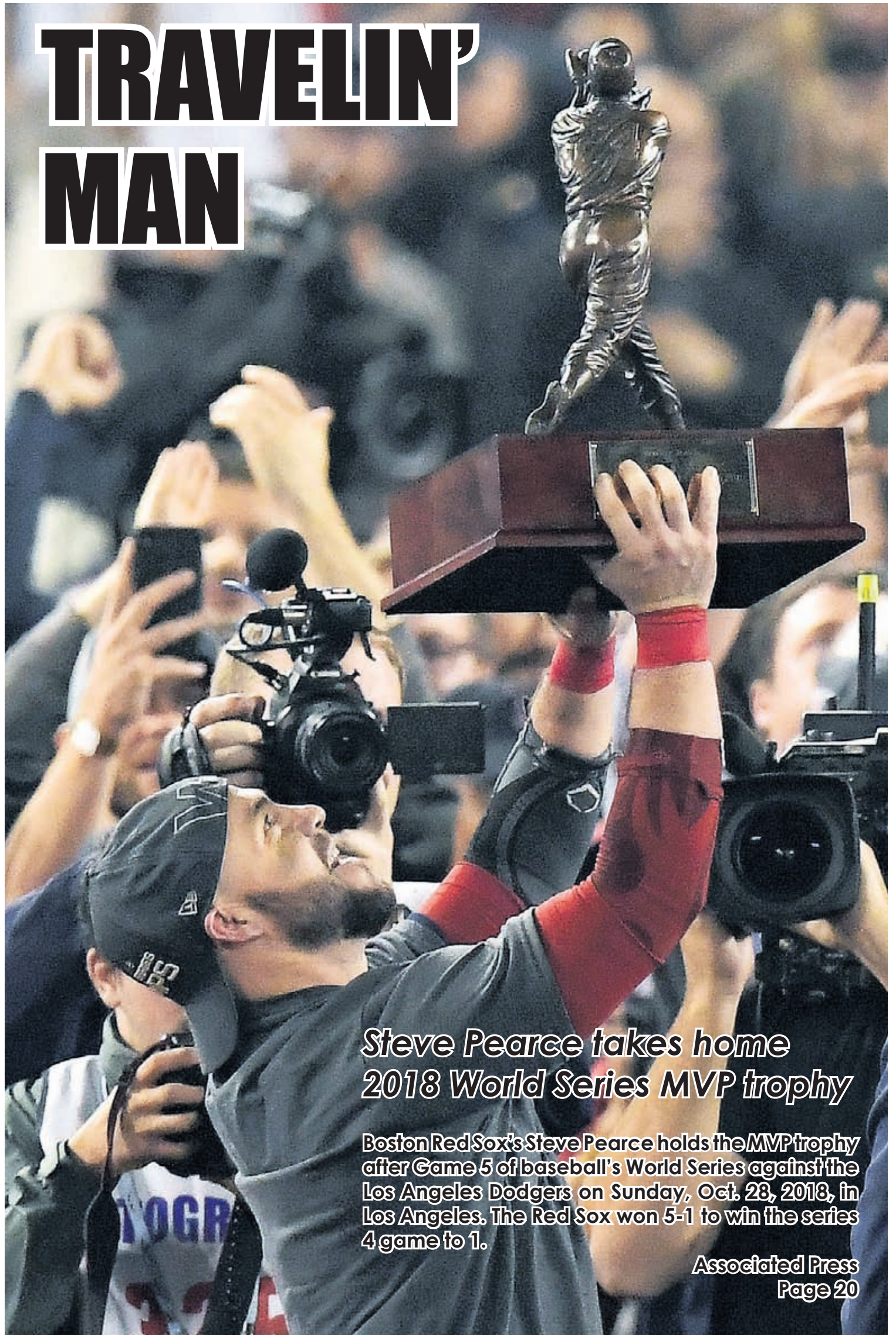
Browns fire coach Jackson, owner cites 'internal discord'

By TOM WITHERS
AP Sports Writer

BEREA, Ohio (AP) — Browns owner Jimmy Haslam finally tried the patient approach with his head coach. That didn't work either. Haslam made his fourth coaching change since 2012 by firing Hue Jackson, who won just three of 40 games over two-plus seasons and then lost his job because of a feud with offensive coordinator Todd Haley that went public and threatened to turn a promising season into another one of those Cleveland catastrophes. Haslam fired Jackson and Haley within hours of each other on Monday, a day after the Browns (2-5-1) lost their 25th consecutive road game — one shy of the NFL record. "Hopefully, we made a big step today," Haslam said. "It is hard to win in the NFL. If anybody knows that, it is us. I think the message today is we are not going to put up with internal discord. We want people who are collaborative and work together."

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TRAVELIN' MAN



Steve Pearce takes home 2018 World Series MVP trophy

Boston Red Sox's Steve Pearce holds the MVP trophy after Game 5 of baseball's World Series against the Los Angeles Dodgers on Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018, in Los Angeles. The Red Sox won 5-1 to win the series 4 game to 1.

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Heavy mettle: Young US team eyes gold at world championships

By **WILL GRAVES**

AP Sports Writer

DOHA, Qatar (AP) — Tom Forster remembers the old days, when the American women's gymnastics program would head to international events and come home with little more than a good story to tell while watching Russia and Romania make trip after trip to the medal stand.

No gold. No glory. Nothing. That's hardly the case anymore. The group that Olympic champion Simone Biles will lead onto the floor Tuesday at the Aspire Dome during the women's team final at the world championships is as close to a sure thing as there is in the sport. The Americans topped qualifying by nearly nine points, a staggering margin that offered proof that the gap between the U.S. program and everyone else only seems to be growing. No matter how the International Gymnastics Federation tinkers with the code of points to try to level the playing field. No matter the faces in the lineup. No matter the venue or the stakes. "The fact that we've come around is so exciting and for me to be part of that, it's a great honor and I don't want to mess it up," said Forster, hired over the summer as high performance coordinator. "I want to make sure that I don't mess it up."

No pressure or anything. "I don't sleep as well as I used to," cracked Forster, who for years worked with the USA Gymnastics devel-



Simone Biles of the U.S., right, hugs Morgan Hurd of the U.S. after performing on the beam during qualifying sessions for the Gymnastics World Championships at the Aspire Dome in Doha, Qatar, Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018.

opmental program.

The Americans have won every major international team and all-around title for the last seven years, a winning streak that shows no signs of abating. And it's not as if the remarkable Biles — who is dealing with a kidney stone that sent her to the emergency room hours before the competition began — is carrying the load by herself. Sure, the 21-year-old easily posted the highest score in qualifying while earning a spot in each of the four event finals. Yet even if Biles is removed from the equation, the U.S.'s team total would still be nearly three points clear of the Russians. So much for the stage get-

ting to world championship rookies Kara Eaker, Riley McCusker and Grace McCallum, each of whom looked right at home under the lights while standing next to Biles and 2017 world all-around champion Morgan Hurd. Eaker's steady beam performance earned the 15-year-old a spot in the event finals while Hurd — who is markedly better than she was when she surprised the field and even herself in Montreal a year ago — will be in both the uneven bars and floor exercise finals with Biles.

"We all have different qualities that we can bring to the team," McCusker said. "We can all shine in different places." That's the way

it has been for more than a decade for the U.S., a by-product of the semi-centralized system installed by former national team coordinator Martha Karolyi at the turn of the millennium. An American woman has won each of the last four Olympic all-around titles and eight of the last 10 world championship crowns. The last two Olympic teams — "The Fierce Five" in 2012 and the "Final Five" in 2016 — waved from the top of the podium with gold medals around their necks after putting together show-stopping performances. All that bling set an expectation of excellence that goes largely unspoken. Maybe that's a good thing.

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When asked if they ever sit around and talk about the legacy they've inherited, Hurd shakes her head. Why not? "I think we all might start crying a little bit," the 17-year-old said with a nervous laugh.

Only they don't, even as they find themselves the standard bearers for an organization in the midst of upheaval. While Biles, Hurd and company will try to add to the U.S.'s ever-growing medal stash during the first world championships held in the Middle East, back home the fallout from the Larry Nassar scandal continues.

Biles and more than 300 other women — including several former Olympic team members — have said they were sexually abused by the former team doctor for USA Gymnastics and Michigan State University. While Nassar is in prison for the rest of his life after being convicted of molesting athletes and possessing child pornography, mediation between the organization and the dozens of women who have sued it are ongoing and USA Gymnastics is on its fourth president and CEO in the last 19 months. Yet amid all the upheaval, Forster is trying to maintain a sense of normalcy while attempting to cultivate the culture change nearly everyone within USA Gymnastics believes is vital to the program's future. Karolyi's tenure, while wildly successful, wasn't exactly touchy-feely. That rigidity has eased a bit. □

Svitolina beats Stephens to win season-ending WTA Finals

By **SANDRA HARWITT**

Associated Press

SINGAPORE (AP) — Elina Svitolina secured the biggest title of her career on Sunday, becoming the first Ukrainian player to win the season-ending WTA Finals trophy. The No. 6-seeded Svitolina rebounded from a one-set deficit for a 3-6, 6-2, 6-2 win over fifth-seeded Sloane Stephens, the 2017 U.S. Open champion. Svitolina fell onto her back

on the court in celebration, and then shared a hug with Stephens.

"I think I have nothing to prove anymore to anyone and it's definitely a good statement for myself," Svitolina said. "I think mental toughness is what I really had to show."

"I played great tennis and I worked my way into the tournament. It's going to bring me lots of confidence."

The Ukrainian raced to a 3-0 lead in the third set, but Stephens managed to secure a break in the fifth game. Svitolina broke back immediately to take a 4-2 lead.

Stephens, making her debut at the WTA Finals, surrendered her serve again on a first match point for Svitolina in the eighth game by sending a backhand crosscourt wide.

"I thought she played well

and it was obviously a tough match from the beginning," Stephens said. "I was really excited to be here and compete with everybody."

The victory means Svitolina became the eighth player to go undefeated in winning the season-ending title, which features a three-match round-robin format at the outset, and first since Serena Williams in 2013.

She has now won 13 of 15 fi-

nals she's played in her career, including the last nine with her last final loss coming in 2016 to Petra Kvitová at the Zhuhai tournament. "Of course I know that I've won lots of finals," Svitolina said. "For me, every final is a big challenge. I always try to be there for that challenge." The WTA Finals ends its five-year run in Singapore this season and moves to Shenzhen, China for a 10-year run starting in 2019. □

JACKSON FIRED

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As for his poor track record in finding coaches, Haslam offered no excuses.

"I will accept the blame because ultimately, it is the person at the head of the ship," he said. "I will take the blame as ownership. I can't explain it more than that. We have had different situations with different people. I know that it is something that we are not going to tolerate moving forward." Defensive coordinator Gregg Williams is Cleveland's interim coach, and running backs coach Freddie Kitchens will take over for Haley.

Haslam said Williams, who coached Buffalo from 2001-03, was the only in-house candidate considered to finish the season. While Williams has extensive experience and won a Super Bowl, he also has a checkered past. He was suspended by the league

for a full season in 2012 for his role in the "Bountygate" scandal that rocked the New Orleans Saints.

Haslam said it's premature to consider the next coaching hire for the Browns, who are 22-81-1 since he and his wife, Dee, agreed to buy the franchise in 2012.

The main objective now is to get through the season's second half, beginning with a matchup on Sunday against the high-scoring, Kansas City Chiefs (7-1).

"We will have a collaborative effort in everything that we do here," Haslam said when asked about a search for the team's ninth coach since 1999. "Right now, we are focused on the next eight games and Gregg and his staff winning as many of those games that we can."

There are already names floating around as potential candidates to be Cleveland's next coach, including Oklahoma's Lin-



In this Oct. 14, 2018 photo Cleveland Browns defensive coordinator Gregg Williams walks on the field during an NFL football game against the Los Angeles Chargers in Cleveland.

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coln Riley, who coached Browns quarterback Baker Mayfield in college.

"Not right now," Riley said of his interest in jumping to the NFL. "You sit here and answer these questions and I always want to be truthful. The truth is for me is, I love Oklahoma. I love coaching here. I love college football. I certainly don't have that itch right now."

Just three weeks ago, the Browns, who went 0-16 last season under Jackson, appeared to have turned the

corner following an overtime win against Baltimore. But things unraveled quickly, thrust in the wrong direction by a power struggle between Jackson and Haley, who joined Cleveland's staff this season after six in Pittsburgh. Following a loss at Tampa Bay last week, Jackson aimed blame at Haley by offering to help the team's offense.

Haley publicly said he wasn't offended by the remarks. But Jackson's comments seemed to widen a

divide between the coaches, who had disagreed on players getting days off during training camp and whether wide receiver Josh Gordon deserved to start the opener.

In order to salvage the season, Haslam and general manager John Dorsey felt change was necessary.

Without pointing fingers, Dorsey said there's only one way to stop the infighting.

"Treat people the way they want to be treated," he said. "Come into work every day willing to work. Love what you do. Just take ownership in what you are doing. Come to work every day and treat people the way you want to be treated." Jackson's the sixth straight Cleveland coach to be fired following the team's second game against Pittsburgh. Romeo Crennel, Eric Mangini, Pat Shurmur, Rob Chudzinski and Mike Pettine all met the same demise, but they were let go following the season's final game. □

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Well-traveled Pearce finds a place _ as World Series MVP

By **BEN WALKER**
AP Baseball Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — For a dozen years, Steve Pearce was on the move. From Pittsburgh to Houston to every single team in the AL East, just looking for a spot where he could stick. He finally found his permanent place — in Red Sox lore.

The well-traveled Pearce wound up as the World Series MVP on Sunday night after hitting two home runs that sent Boston over the Los Angeles Dodgers 5-1 in Game 5.

"Baseball's a funny game," he said. "The longer you stay in the game, great things can happen."

For a guy who just kept on truckin' around the majors, he now has something shiny to show for it — a bright red truck, presented to him on the infield dirt as a most unlikely MVP.

"You never know where the game will take you," he said. "And I've gone through a lot in my life or in my career to be here, and I couldn't be more thankful."

"This has been a lifelong journey," he said.

Hundreds of Red Sox fans in the stands at Dodger Stadium chanted "MVP! MVP!" Later, he strolled hand-in-hand with his 6-year-old daughter Jensen behind home plate.

"This is the greatest feeling of my life. When you're a kid, this is where you want to be. And it's happening right now," Pearce said. "This is a great moment. I'm so glad I get to share it with



Boston Red Sox's Steve Pearce celebrates his second home run during the eighth inning in Game 5 of the World Series baseball game against the Los Angeles Dodgers on Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018, in Los Angeles.

everybody."

"I'm in a dream right now," he said.

Traded from Toronto to the Red Sox in late June, the 35-year-old delivered the key hits in two straight games against the Dodgers.

On Saturday, he launched a tying home run in the eighth inning, then added a three-run double in the ninth that sent Boston to a 9-6 win.

Pearce got the Red Sox rolling in the clincher, connecting for a two-run homer off Clayton Kershaw in the first inning. He capped his October spree with a solo drive off Pedro Baez in the eighth.

Overall, the first baseman

went 4 for 12 and drove in eight runs.

Pretty good production for someone acquired in mid-season for a minor league infielder. He played 50 games after the trade — he became the first position player to win a World Series MVP while playing 50 or fewer games for the winning team in his career, the Elias Sports Bureau said.

"This has been the funnest year of my life," Pearce said on the field.

Pearce joined Babe Ruth and Ted Kluszewski as the only players 35 or older with multiple-homer games in a World Series.

He's always had a reputation as a solid hitter, although mostly against left-

handed pitchers. The righty swinger batted .279 with seven homers and 26 RBIs while splitting time at first with Mitch Moreland.

Pearce was an instant hit with Boston, stroking a double against CC Sabathia at Yankee Stadium on the first pitch he saw after the deal. Later, he hit three home runs in a game against the Yankees at Fenway Park.

A career .257 hitter in the majors, Pearce was solid in college, helping South Carolina reach the semifinals of the 2004 College World Series.

Drafted by the Red Sox in the 10th round, he instead chose to stay in school and chase a title.

After South Carolina lost in

the 2005 regional finals, he was picked in the eighth round and signed with Pittsburgh.

He later played with Tampa Bay, Baltimore and the Yankees, along with Houston and Toronto before going to Boston.

"That was the key, too, June 28th," Red Sox manager Alex Cora. "We were looking for complement for Mitch."

"And he's been great, not only on the field but in the clubhouse. He's been a great teammate. Veteran guy. He's been through a lot," he said.

Red Sox ace Chris Sale echoed that sentiment for someone he's known since he grew up in Florida.

"He did it. He's a gamer. He's a grinder. He lives for moments like this," Sale said. "It's a special moment for me and him. We grew up a quarter of a mile from each other. I grew up playing Little League with his youngest brother."

Pearce got a \$50,000 bonus in his contract for winning the award. Without a deal signed for next season, he'll have to wait to see whether he's also earned a future spot on the roster — naturally, he wants to keep playing in New England.

"I would definitely love it. We're world champions. To be able to be open up next season at Fenway Park with the ring ceremony and everything that goes along with it and to drop the banner for the 2018 world champions, that would definitely — I would love that," he said. □



Boston Red Sox fans celebrate while watching a televised World Series baseball game in a bar, in Boston, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018, moments after Red Sox beat the Los Angeles Dodgers 5-1, in Los Angeles, to win the series 4 games to 1.

Associated Press

By **BOB SALSBERG**
Associated Press

BOSTON (AP) — In what

has become a championship tradition in the city, the Boston Red Sox will climb

Red Sox fans celebrate latest title; parade on Wednesday

aboard duck boats for a parade to celebrate the team's fourth World Series title in 15 years, city officials announced Monday.

The parade Wednesday will begin at 11 a.m. at Fenway Park. The team is expected to return to Boston later Monday with the World Series trophy.

Mayor Marty Walsh said

that he expected large crowds for the parade and that traffic and parking restrictions would be in place, along with tight security. Police said alcohol would be prohibited along the parade route and no one would be allowed to carry weapons of any kind.

"We've been here before, let's act like it," said Po-

lice Commissioner William Gross.

The tradition of players climbing aboard the amphibious duck boats, one of the city's most popular tourist attractions, to celebrate championships dates back to 2004, the year the Red Sox won the World Series for the first time since 1918. □



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Curry's 3-pointers carry Golden State past Brooklyn 120-114

By The Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Stephen Curry set another NBA record by making seven 3-pointers and finished with 35 points as the Golden State Warriors held on to beat the Brooklyn Nets 120-114 on Sunday.

Kevin Durant added 34 for the Warriors, who appeared on their way to another easy win before the Nets made it close with some sizzling 3-point shooting.

Curry finally turned them back when his final 3-pointer made it 115-108 with 1:07 to play. He has made at least five 3s in all seven games, breaking George McCloud's record of six games in a row during the 1995-96 season.

But Klay Thompson continued to struggle behind the arc, going 1 for 5 and falling to 5 for 36 this season. He finished with 18 points and still hasn't had a 20-point outing this season.

D'Angelo Russell scored 25 points and Caris LeVert had 23 for the Nets, who made 20 3-pointers in 42 attempts. Golden State has won

four in a row since its lone loss and the previous three were all by at least 20 points. The franchise record is four straight 20-point victories, set by the San Francisco Warriors in 1966-67, and it appeared the Warriors were going to equal that.

THUNDER 117, SUNS 110

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Paul George and Russell Westbrook each scored 23 points, and Oklahoma City got its first win of the season.

Nerlens Noel had 20 points and 15 rebounds and Patrick Patterson added 17 points for the Thunder.

Rookie Elie Okobo scored 18 points and No. 1 overall draft pick Deandre Ayton added 16 points and 11 rebounds for Phoenix. Devin Booker, who entered the day as the league's ninth-best scorer at 27.8 points per game, sat out his second straight game with a left hamstring strain.

Oklahoma City's victory left the Cleveland Cavaliers, who fired coach Tyronn Lue on Sunday, as the league's only winless team.

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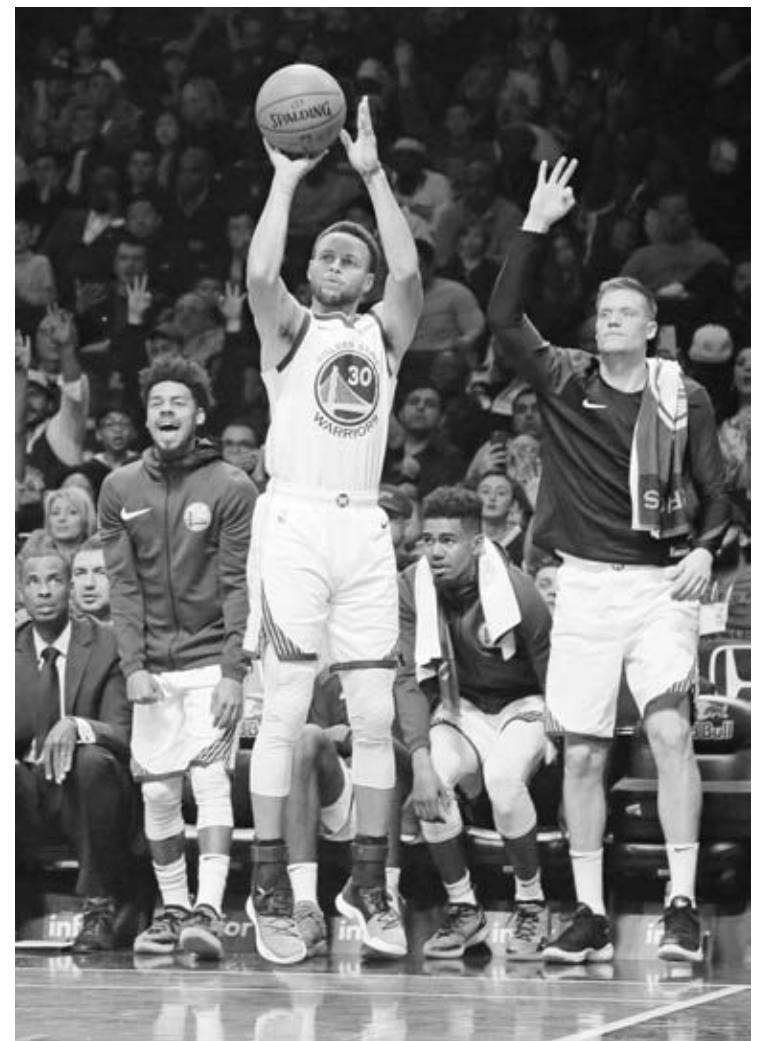
DALLAS (AP) — Rudy Gobert and De Andre Jordan recorded their sixth straight double-doubles in six games this season to lead Utah. Gobert finished with 23 points and 16 rebounds, and Jordan added 12 points, 4 for 4 from the line, 19 rebounds and a career-high nine assists.

The Jazz overcame 18 turnovers and won going away after taking a five-point lead, 82-77, into the fourth quarter. Donovan Mitchell scored 20 points for Utah. Jae Crowder added 15 points and Joe Ingles had 12. Dennis Smith Jr. had 21 of his game-high 27 points in the second half.

CLIPPERS 136, WIZARDS 104

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Tobias Harris scored 22 points and grabbed 11 rebounds to help Los Angeles coast to the win.

Lou Williams added 17 points on his 32nd birthday for the Clippers, who had nine players in double-figures as they shot 54 percent from the field, made 16-of-29 3-pointers, and outrebounded Wash-



Golden State Warriors react as teammate Stephen Curry shoots a three-point basket during the first half of an NBA basketball game against the Brooklyn Nets, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018, in New York.

Associated Press

ington 57-45. The Clippers won for the fourth time in five games. Bradley Beal scored 20 points and John Wall added 18 for Washington, which shot 40 percent

and missed 22 of 27 3s. The Wizards are 1-5 this season and have lost 11 in a row to the Clippers in Los Angeles, dating back to Feb. 13, 2008. □

Red Bulls win the Supporters' Shield; MLS playoffs set

By ANNE M. PETERSON
AP Sports Writer

The race for the Supporters' Shield came down to the final regular-season games, with the New York Red Bulls claiming the award for most points this season with a 1-0 victory over Orlando City on Sunday. The playoffs were also set by the end of Decision Day, the final day of Major League Soccer's regular season when all of the league's games are played at the same time. The Red Bulls' 71 points sea-

son eclipsed Toronto's MLS record of 69 set last season. The team also set the record (post-shootout era) with 22 total wins. "That's why we're all here. We're here to win things, win silverware and do our job well," said forward Bradley Wright-Phillips.

Atlanta United had a one-point edge on the Red Bulls for the Shield going into the day, but fell 4-1 on the road to Toronto FC.

Atlanta coach Tata Martino said the loss was dis-

heartening. "This was the most important game of the year and obviously we didn't play well enough and we let all the hard work that we had done until that point got to waste. I didn't see a team that looked like it could turn the game," he said. "In the second half it looked like we had some moments but it seems like the team has lost the football that we had up until this point. So that is what we need to regain going into the playoffs." □



Toronto FC defender Justin Morrow (2) and Atlanta United defender Michael Parkhurst, left, vie for the ball during the second half of MLS soccer game action in Toronto, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.

Associated Press

Rams rally to beat Packers to stay unbeaten

By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Greg Zuerlein hit a 34-yard field goal with 2:05 left and Ramik Wilson forced and recovered Ty Montgomery's fumble on the ensuing kickoff return, allowing the Los Angeles Rams to remain unbeaten without a late defensive stand in a 29-27 victory over the Green Bay Packers on Sunday.

Jared Goff passed for 295 yards and three touchdowns while the Rams (8-0) were sternly tested by the Packers (3-3-1) and Aaron Rodgers, who threw for 286 yards.

Both teams rallied from 10-point deficits to take a lead in front of a bipartisan Coliseum crowd, but Rodgers never got the chance to mount one of his trademark winning drives.

Instead, the Rams extended their best start to a season since 1969 with another key play from LA's superlative special teams — and two crushing special-teams mistakes by Green Bay.

Marquez Valdes-Scantling caught a 40-yard touchdown pass from Rodgers with 8:50 left to put the Packers ahead 27-26, but Goff and Todd Gurley drove the Rams into range for Zuerlein's second field goal of the fourth quarter after a 25-yard punt by JK Scott.

Montgomery then coughed up his return. Gurley ran 17 yards for a key first down and stopped before reaching the end zone in the final seconds — probably enraging his fantasy owners, but allowing the Rams to run out the clock. Josh Reynolds caught two touchdown passes for Los Angeles, while Gurley rushed for 114 yards and scored a touchdown in his franchise record-tying 11th consecutive game on a 30-yard pass in the third quarter.

EAGLES 24, JAGUARS 18

LONDON (AP) — Carson Wentz threw three touchdown passes to different players.

Tight end Dallas Goedert caught one of the touchdown passes in the first half, and running back Wendell

Smallwood and tight end Zach Ertz scored theirs in the second half for the Eagles (4-4), making their first

catch in the NFC divisional

Fitzgerald, in his 15th NFL season, caught eight passes for 102 yards, his best game of the season.



Los Angeles Rams running back Todd Gurley makes a catch as Green Bay Packers defensive back Jermaine Whitehead defends during the first half of an NFL football game, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018, in Los Angeles.

Associated Press

appearance in England.

Blake Bortles, restored as the starter despite being pulled in a loss to the Houston Texans a week earlier, completed 24 of 41 passes for 286 yards for the slumping Jaguars (3-5), who lost their fourth consecutive game. Despite Jacksonville's familiarity with playing in England — it was the Jags' sixth consecutive year of playing overseas, and they had won their last three — the record crowd of 85,870 formed a decidedly pro-Eagles crowd.

Philadelphia lost 2017 All-Pro RT Lane Johnson injured his left knee on the Eagles' opening drive and did not return.

SAINTS 30, VIKINGS 20

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Drew Brees and New Orleans paid back Minnesota for a last-second loss in the playoffs last season, using two key turnovers, including a 45-yard interception return by P.J. Williams.

Alvin Kamara had two touchdowns and Will Lutz made three field goals for the Saints (6-1). They needed only 120 passing yards by Brees to beat the Vikings (4-3-1).

Stefon Diggs had 119 re-

round in January, but he stopped his drag route in a miscommunication with quarterback Kirk Cousins right before Williams picked of the ball off for the pivotal third-quarter touchdown.

Adam Thielen had another record-setting performance for the Vikings with 103 yards and a score, but his red-zone fumble in the second quarter was returned 54 yards by Marshon Lattimore to set up the go-ahead touchdown for the Saints.

CARDINALS 18, 49ERS 15

GLENDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Josh Rosen threw a 9-yard touchdown pass to fellow rookie Christian Kirk with 34 seconds to play to rally the Cardinals in a matchup of teams with two of the worst records in the NFL.

The Cardinals beat San Francisco for the eighth straight time and second time in three weeks.

Arizona (2-6) got two fourth-quarter touchdown passes from Rosen after the 49ers (1-7) had built a 15-3 lead. Rosen's 13-yard pass to Larry Fitzgerald cut the lead to 15-10 with 11:06 to play. Fitzgerald also caught a 2-point conversion pass after Kirk's TD.

C.J. Beathard connected with Marquise Goodwin on a 55-yard play for the 49ers' only touchdown.

Fitzgerald's 112th career touchdown catch moves him past Tony Gonzalez alone into seventh on the NFL career list. He's caught a TD pass in each of his last two games after getting none the first six games of the season. He needs three to tie Antonio Gates for sixth.

COLTS 42, RAIDERS 28

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Andrew Luck threw his third touchdown pass of the game to break a tie with 5:28 to go and the Colts won in consecutive weeks for the first time in three years.

Luck connected with all three of his tight ends, with the 10-yard pass to Jack Doyle putting the Colts (3-5) up 35-28. Luck connected earlier in the game on passes to Mo Alie-Cox and Eric Ebron and finished with 239 yards against an over-matched defense for the Raiders (1-6).

Marlon Mack ran for a career-high 132 yards and two touchdowns, breaking the personal mark he set last week against Buffalo with

126 yards. Mack's second TD came after Doug Martin lost a fumble for Oakland and sealed the victory.

Derek Carr threw three TD passes and ran for a fourth just days after Oakland traded his top receiver, Amari Cooper, to Dallas. But it wasn't enough to prevent another loss in what is quickly becoming a lost season to begin coach Jon Gruden's second stint with the team.

Vinatieri set the record as the NFL's top all-time scorer in the first half. He kicked a 26-yard field goal in the first quarter to tie Morten Andersen with 2,544 points, and then added a 25-yarder late in the second to set the record. Viantieri scored three more points, giving him 2,550 for his career.

PANTHERS 36, RAIDERS 21

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) —

Cam Newton torched the league's No. 1-ranked defense, completing 21 of 29 passes for 219 yards and two touchdowns and running for 52 yards and another score. Christian McCaffrey had two touchdowns and electrifying rookie wide receiver D.J. Moore turned in his best game as a pro with 129 yards from scrimmage as the Panthers won their ninth straight game at home. Trailing 7-0 early, the Panthers (5-2) scored on four straight possessions in the final 16 minutes of the first half to break open the game and take a 24-7 half-time lead.

Newton threw an 11-yard TD pass to Greg Olsen, McCaffrey ran for an 11-yard score and caught a 6-yard TD pass that ricocheted off the hands of safety Eric Weddle and into his arms in the end zone. After the Ravens (4-4) climbed within 13 on Joe Flacco's TD pass to Javorius Allen, Newton calmly drove the Panthers 85 yards in nine plays and scored from 12 yards on a naked bootleg to put the game away early in the fourth quarter.

The Panthers rolled up 386 yards against a Ravens defense that had come in allowing a league-low 280.6 yards and 14.4 points per game. □

McDavid gets OT winner as Oilers beat Blackhawks 2-1

By The Associated Press
CHICAGO (AP) — Connor McDavid scored 53 seconds into overtime to lift the Edmonton Oilers to their third straight win, 2-1 win over the Chicago Blackhawks on Sunday. After two Blackhawks skaters got caught deep in their zone, McDavid finished a 2-on-1 break, taking a cross-ice feed from Leon Draisaitl and beating Cam Ward from the left circle for his eighth goal.

Chicago's Brent Seabrook and Edmonton's Zack Kassian scored in the first period.

Chicago's leading scorer, Patrick Kane, assisted on Seabrook's goal to extend his point streak to six games. Cam Talbot stopped 31 shots as Edmonton improved to 3-1 in overtime games.

GOLDEN KNIGHTS 4, SENATORS 3, OT

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Jonathan Marchessault scored on a penalty shot in overtime to lift Vegas over Ottawa. Alex Tuch scored two goals and Ryan Reaves added his third of the season for Vegas, while Marc-Andre Fleury made 19 saves. The Golden Knights avoided their second

three-game losing streak, after consecutive losses at home.

Marchessault earned the penalty shot after being interfered with on a breakaway, and then beat Ottawa goalie Craig Anderson with his first career penalty shot.

Matt Duchene, Bobby Ryan and Ryan Dzingel scored for the Senators, while Anderson made 49 saves.

KINGS 4, RANGERS 3

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Alec Martinez scored with 55 seconds remaining, and Los Angeles stopped a six-game skid.

Martinez brought the puck from behind the net into the offensive zone and fired a wrist shot through the legs of Brendan Smith and past New York goaltender Henrik Lundqvist for his first goal of the season.

Ilya Kovalchuk had a goal and two assists, Trevor Lewis scored and Jack Campbell made 22 saves in place of the injured Jonathan Quick for the Kings. Dustin Brown, making his season debut after breaking a finger in Los Angeles' final pre-season game, also scored. Vladislav Namestnikov and Tony DeAngelo each had a goal and an assist and



Edmonton Oilers' Connor McDavid, left, scores the winning goal against Chicago Blackhawks' Cam Ward during overtime of an NHL hockey game Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018, in Chicago.

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Ryan Spooner also scored for the Rangers, who are winless in five road games. Lundqvist made 36 saves.

RED WINGS 4, STARS 2

DETROIT (AP) — Anthony Mantha helped Detroit earn its first home win of the season. Mantha, Tyler Bertuzzi, defenseman Jonathan Ericsson and Justin Abdelkader scored for Detroit, which had been 0-3-1 at Little Caesars Arena. Dylan Larkin had two assists and Jonathan Bernier stopped 28 shots for his first win as a Red Wing, after signing as a free agent in July. Gemel Smith and defenseman John Klingberg scored for Dallas. Ben Bishop made 19 saves.

ISLANDERS 2, HURRICANES 1

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Anders Lee had a goal and an assist, and New York beat Carolina.

Ryan Pulock scored the go-ahead goal late in the second period and Josh Bailey had two assists for the Islanders, who have earned points in three straight games. Playing eight of their first 11 games on the road, they've won two in a row for the first time.

Teuvo Teravainen scored for Carolina while Sebastian Aho matched a pair of club records with an assist — giving him points and assists in all 11 games this season, the longest active streak in the league.

Thomas Greiss, who stopped 90 of the 91 shots

he faced in his last two games against Carolina, made 38 saves while earning his first victory since a 2-1 win in the opener on Oct. 4.

SHARKS 4, DUCKS 3, OT

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Timo Meier scored in overtime, his second goal of the game, to lift San Jose and hand Anaheim its fifth straight loss.

Logan Couture and Rourke Chartier also scored for the Sharks. Meier also added an assist.

San Jose goalie Martin Jones stopped 27 of Anaheim's 30 shots.

The Ducks got two goals from Pontus Aberg and one from Josh Manson. John Gibson stopped 45 shots. □

Logano shoves past Truex to earn shot at NASCAR championship

By JENNA FRYER
AP Auto Racing Writer
MARTINSVILLE, Va. (AP) — When the reigning series champion slipped past him with one lap to go at Martinsville Speedway, Joey Logano figured he had lost his shot at racing for NASCAR's title.

A win would earn Logano one of the four spots in the winner-take-all championship at Homestead-Miami Speedway.

So if he didn't try something, his chance at a Cup championship might slip away.

Logano used an old-fashioned bump-and-run on Martin Truex Jr. to Sunday and snatch one of the four tickets to the finale. Truex slid sideways across the finish line and promptly declared Logano won't take his title from him this year.

"He may have won the battle, but he ain't winning the damn war. I'm not going to let him win it (the championship.) I'm going to win it," Truex fumed.

Logano took Truex's warning in stride.

"OK. That's expected," Logano said. "This was our

shot, maybe our only shot, so we had to make it happen."

Logano was showered in boos and Truex, standing on pit road next to his third-place car, jeered the winner with both thumbs down as Logano was interviewed over the address system. On pit road, Truex crew chief Cole Pearn Jr. had an angry exchange with Logano crew chief Todd Gordon. Nearly 30 minutes later, Pearn still appeared visibly angry.

Truex and Pearn are part of Furniture Row Racing,



Joey Logano celebrates after winning the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series auto race at Martinsville Speedway in Martinsville, Va., Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.

Associated Press

which is shutting down at the end of the season, a year removed from its championship run. Naysayers cast doubt on the No.

78 defending its title with the closure looming, but both driver and crew chief are determined to prove everyone wrong. □

Can a holographic screen help a new phone break out?

By **ANICK JESDANUN**
AP Technology Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Most leading phones offer the same basics: Big screens, decent battery life and good cameras. So when a newcomer brings something innovative to the party, why is it difficult to break through a phone market dominated by Apple and Samsung?

One such smartphone comes out this week from Red, a company with roots in digital cameras for movie productions. The new Hydrogen One has a holographic screen that produces 3-D visuals without needing special glasses. It is launching with two major movies converted to this format and allows users to create and share their own videos shot with the phone. Red's goals are modest — about 16 million units a year, based on Red's stated target of 0.5 percent of Samsung's sales. But Red will need customers beyond the tech elite and camera buffs; it'll need their friends and friends of their friends. It doesn't help that the Hydrogen One carries a hefty \$1,295 price tag.

"The Red Hydrogen One stands little chance of upsetting the smartphone status quo," said Geoff Blaber, a research analyst at CCS Insight.

Chipping away at Apple's and Samsung's dominance is much harder than it used



This Friday, Oct. 26, 2018, photo shows the camera on the back of the Red Hydrogen One smartphone in New York.

to be because phone innovation isn't so much about hardware any more, Creative Strategies analyst Carolina Milanesi said. What matters more, she said, is the software and artificial intelligence behind it.

Consider Apple's new iPhones. Sure, the new XR and XS models all have decent screens, battery life and cameras. But Apple has also been emphasizing such software-based features as augmented reality, artificial intelligence and automation using the Siri digital assistant. Or take Samsung's Galaxy Note 9. Signature features include

the use of AI to automatically fine-tune images.

While the Hydrogen One's screen is different, Milanesi said, it's not necessarily something the mass market will gravitate to.

Red founder Jim Jannard said his phone is about making waves in a sea of smartphone sameness.

"We don't buy the same make, model or color of car that our next-door neighbor has," he said. "It's important to keep this industry pushing along ... and give people some new choice. What we've done is pretty nuts."

The phone starts selling Friday through AT&T and Ve-

ron in the U.S.

Red calls the screen technology 4V, for four view, which is another way of saying it's doubling what twin-lens 3-D cameras produce by adding depth data to each image. There's a special material under the screen that lets 4V photos and video appear to the viewer in 3-D. Images that aren't shot or converted to this format will look the same as they do on any other screen. Attempts to photograph a 4V screen will also produce images that don't look any different.

Yet the 3-D wizardry indeed works, though it's more pro-

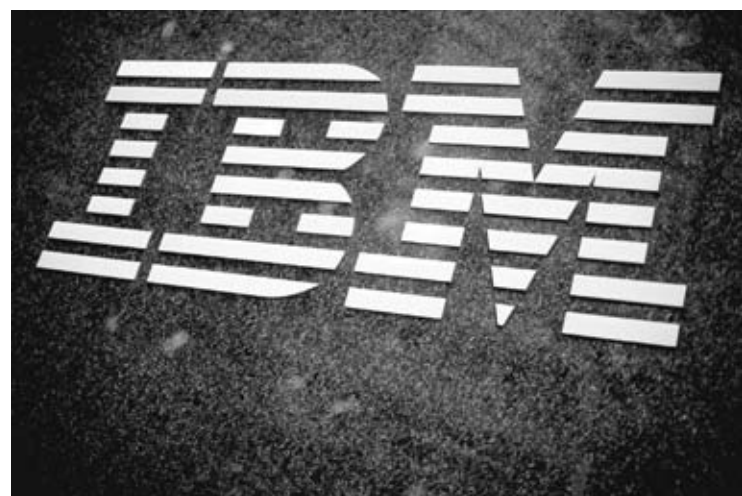
nounced in some scenes than others. Images of a soccer goalie blocking a shot feels realistic, but a waterfall at Yosemite National Park looks like video taken with a regular camera (though leaves in the foreground looked 3-D). The Red phone might remind you of holographic stickers in which the view shifts slightly as you tilt them. The Warner Bros. studio is giving customers of parent company AT&T two free 4V movies: the first "Harry Potter" prequel, "Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them," and Steven Spielberg's "Ready Player One," which is set in a virtual world.

The studio plans to convert about a half-dozen other movies initially. Red will have tools for producers to convert existing 3-D video into the 4V format.

The Hydrogen One also has twin lenses in the back to capture 4V photos and video. Trouble is, people you share them with will get a normal image unless they also have a Hydrogen One. The phone also has a handful of 4V games.

Red's 4V could run into the same problems that virtual reality has faced. People haven't been rushing out for headsets, while video creators haven't been rushing out to make VR experiences.

There's a chicken-and-egg problem at play. □



In this April 26, 2017, file photo, the IBM logo is displayed on the IBM building in Midtown Manhattan, in New York.

By **GARY D. ROBERTSON**
Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — IBM announced Sunday it will acquire North Carolina-

based open-source software company Red Hat in a \$34 billion stock deal that the technology and consulting giant's chief execu-

IBM set to acquire N. Carolina-based Red Hat in \$34B deal

tive says will advance the company to the next step in cloud computing.

IBM and Raleigh-based Red Hat said in a joint statement that IBM would buy all Red Hat common shares at \$190 apiece — 63 percent above Red Hat's closing price Friday. The two companies said the deal, approved by their respective boards, is subject to Red Hat shareholder and regulatory approval and should be completed in the latter half of 2019.

Ginni Rometty, IBM's chair-

man, president and CEO, says the acquisition would make IBM the world's No. 1 hybrid cloud provider — that's when companies use a mix of on-site, private and third-party public cloud services. "The acquisition of Red Hat is a game-changer. It changes everything about the cloud market," Rometty said in the news release. The two companies said IBM intends to keep Red Hat's headquarters in Raleigh, where it has more than 2,000 employees in a downtown office building,

as well as maintain Red Hat's "facilities, brands and practices."

Red Hat started in 1993, with its headquarters previously on the North Carolina State University campus. Today it has 12,600 workers worldwide in more than 35 countries. The two companies called the acquisition a logical step after they've worked together for 20 years, saying IBM served as an early supporter of Linux, a key component of Red Hat's software distribution system. □

As stocks plunge, should you overhaul your financial plan?

By **STAN CHOE**

AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks are spiraling lower again, bonds are losing money and everything suddenly feels very shaky. Time to overhaul your financial plan, right?

Financial advisers hope your answer is an emphatic “no.” Ideally, you already set up your plan with the understanding that something as common as a 10 percent tumble in stocks would occur again and again. But at the very least, the recent turmoil offers a good marker to reassess where things are, and where you want to be.

Conditions have certainly changed from the smooth run of past years, when stock funds were returning double digits with few hiccups. In the last month alone, S&P 500 index funds have dropped close to 10 percent. Bond funds are supposed to be the safe part of a portfolio, but even many of them have lost ground this year.

Investors are ringing the phones much more than usual at Inspired Financial, a financial-planning and investment-management firm in Huntington Beach, California. But the voices from clients aren’t in a panic, said Evelyn Zohlen, the company’s founder and the incoming president of the Financial Planning Association. “They’re pragmatic,” Zohlen said of the



In this Oct. 10, 2018, file photo specialist Gregg Maloney works at his post on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange.

callers. “They’re asking if there’s anything unusual about this drop and whether they should be doing anything different.”

Some things that she and other financial advisers suggest to keep in mind:

THIS IS WHAT STOCKS DO

The stock market has offered the best long-term returns historically, but they’ve come at a price. Stocks can drop suddenly, sometimes for inexplicable reasons. Drops of 10 percent are common enough, even when the market is largely on the upswing, that Wall Street has a term for them: “corrections.” Since the summer of 2015, the S&P 500 has had three

such declines, and the index is narrowly close to a fourth. The S&P 500 is down 9.9 percent since setting its record last month.

That latest trigger for market turbulence was a news report on Monday that President Donald Trump may intensify the U.S. trade war with China by announcing tariffs on all its remaining imports. It sent the stock market in reverse, and the S&P 500 flipped from a gain of as much as 1.8 percent in the morning to a loss of 0.7 percent by the end of the day. The report is the latest addition to the pile of worries weighing on stocks in recent weeks, including higher interest

rates and the threat of a coming slowdown in corporate profit growth.

AN INVESTMENT MIX TO MATCH YOUR SAVING GOALS.

If you’re saving money for a retirement that’s 10, 20 or 30 years away, financial advisers ask that you ignore the market turmoil and remember that you’re in it for the long term. Selling stocks now would only lock in the losses.

Drops like this make the stomach churn, but stocks have eventually come back from every one of their past declines to set more records. A \$10,000 investment made 20 years ago in what is now the larg-

est stock fund has turned into roughly \$40,000. That span includes two of the biggest implosions for the stock market: the 2000 dot-com bubble bursting and the 2008 financial crisis.

But if you’re saving to pay your kid’s tuition in the next couple years, or even to pay next month’s credit-card bill, the money should be in something far more stable than stocks. Bonds generally have steadier returns than stocks, though many have had losses this year as a result of rising interest rates. Savings accounts or bank CDs are even safer for money that will be needed in the very short term.

CONTROL WHAT YOU CAN

No one can predict for sure where stocks and bonds will go next, let alone dictate it.

So try to keep costs down. It’s one of the few actions people can control on their own. Funds with low fees tend to have some of the best success rates because higher-cost funds have to perform that much better just to match their performance.

Thankfully, the investment industry is in the midst of a fierce pricing war to lure customers. Fund companies have been slashing fees on mutual funds and exchange-traded funds, and Fidelity recently introduced mutual funds that have zero management expenses, for example. □

Japan, India leaders agree to step up defense, economic ties

By **MARI YAMAGUCHI**

Associated Press

TOKYO (AP) — The leaders of Japan and India agreed Monday to step up their cooperation in defense, trade and a range of other areas amid China’s growing influence in the region. Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe and his Indian counterpart, Narendra Modi, said they are expanding ammunition sales and high-level defense talks and joint military exercises.

“Relations between Japan and India have the biggest potential in the world,” Abe told a joint news conference after holding talks with Modi.

“A strong Japan benefits India and a strong India benefits Japan.”

Modi, through an interpreter, responded, “Without India-Japan cooperation, there will be no development in Asia into the next century.”

India is one of the countries that Japan has reached

out to form defense partnerships, as Tokyo seeks to expand its military cooperation beyond its traditional alliance with the U.S. amid China’s increasingly assertive military presence in the region.

Japan in recent years has stepped up defense ties with Australia, New Zealand, the Philippines and other Asia-Pacific nations. Abe and Modi welcomed joint exercises by their ground, sea and air forces and the start of negotia-



Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, left, and Japan’s Prime Minister Shinzo Abe hold signed documents during a joint news conference at Abe’s official residence in Tokyo Monday, Oct. 29, 2018.

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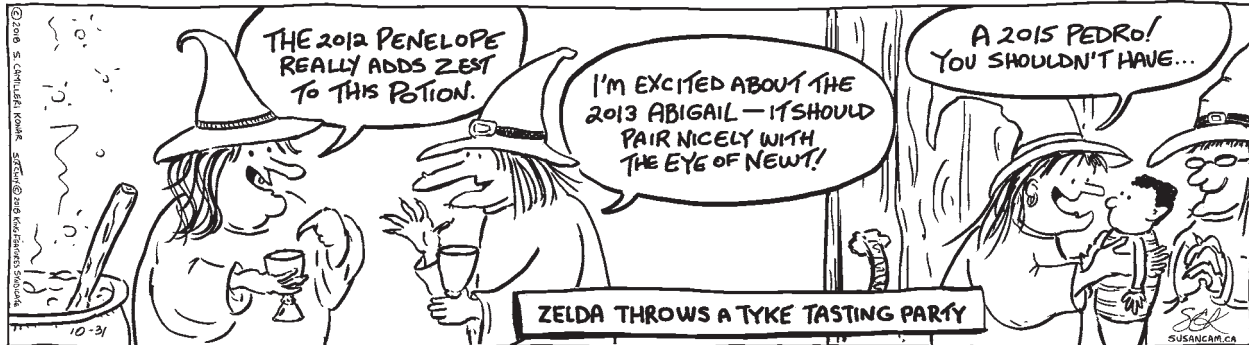
tions toward an acquisition and cross-servicing agreement, or ACSA, which would enable sharing of supplies and ammunition

between the two militaries as a way to “enhance the strategic depth of bilateral security and defense cooperation.” □

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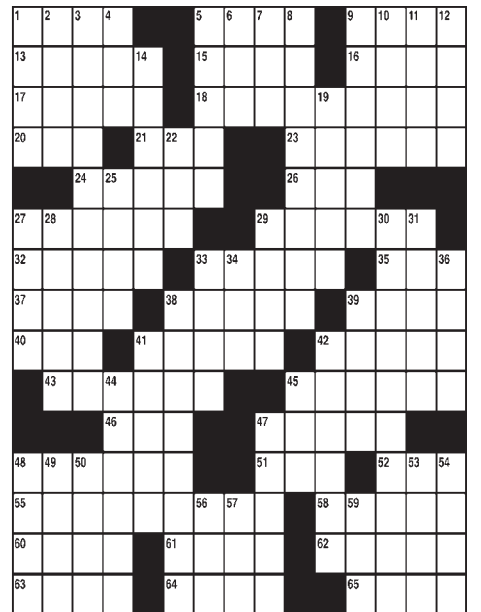
Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Yesterday's puzzle answer

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4	8	1	2	7	3	6	9	5
5	3	6	9	4	1	2	7	8
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ACROSS

- 1 As a matter of ____; actually
5 Matures
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13 Steer clear of
15 Halibut or haddock
16 In the ____; aware of inside info
17 Eatery
18 Hint at
20 Begley & Harris
21 Hearing organ
23 ____ into; collided with
24 Furious
26 Relatives
27 Take for granted
29 Purple flowers
32 Goes out with
33 Campbell & others
35 Word attached to dog or top
37 "O my Love's like ____ red rose..." (Robert Burns)
38 Hauling into court
39 Tim Daly's sis
40 Fellow
41 Connections
42 West Point pupil
43 Wanders away
45 Ore discoverers
46 Gore & his dad
47 Picture cards
48 Huns' leader
51 Neighbor of Mex.
52 Nickname for Dorothy
55 Comforted
58 Prince Harry's mum
60 Long skirt
61 "____ Mia"; love song
62 Steve or Tim
63 Dermatologist's concern
64 Female animals
65 Not as much



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Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

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AXES	GOMER	FLOE
MINE	BLESS	FEND

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- 38 Teriyaki marinade
39 ____ top; sleeveless shirt
41 Formal dances
42 Buzzing insect
44 Dried fruit
45 Bell & Barker
47 Biblical traitor
48 Upper limbs
49 Yellowish wood
50 Uber alternative
53 Singles
54 Sunbathes
56 Uncooked
57 Prior to
59 Under the weather

DOWN

- 1 Lose color
2 Enthusiastic
3 Unchanging; reliable



Hammer holes in the glass case that housed the Magna Carta, at Salisbury Cathedral after a 45-year-old man has been arrested on suspicion of its attempted theft, in Salisbury, England, Friday Oct. 26, 2018.

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U.S. tourist helps stop thief who tried to steal Magna Carta

By **DANICA KIRKA**
Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — An American tourist from Louisiana helped stop a hammer-wielding thief who unsuccessfully tried to steal the Magna Carta at Salisbury Cathedral, working in tandem with a church employee to prevent the man from escaping.

Matthew Delcambre, of New Iberia, Louisiana, told The Associated Press that he and his wife Alexis were sightseeing in the southwestern English city when a man tried to shatter the glass encasing the precious manuscript in the church's Chapter House. After Alexis tried to raise the alarm to others, Delcambre and other bystanders banded together to try to hold the thief back behind the doors of the Chapter House.

When the thief pushed past them, the 56-year-old IT expert gave chase into an outer courtyard. He grabbed the man's arm near the courtyard gate and knocked away the hammer. A church employee tackled him and held him down. The Magna Carta, which was protected by two layers of thick glass, wasn't damaged.

Wiltshire police said Saturday that a 45-year-old man was freed on bail until Nov. 20 as officers continue their investigation. Salisbury Cathedral's Magna Carta is one of four existing specimens of the 1215 charter that established the principle that the king is subject to the law. It is considered the founding document of English law and civil liberties and influenced the creation of the U.S. Constitution. □

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Guns send over 8,000 U.S. kids to ER each year, analysis says

By **LINDSEY TANNER**

AP Medical Writer

Gun injuries, including many from assaults, sent 75,000 U.S. children and teens to emergency rooms over nine years at a cost of almost \$3 billion, a first-of-its-kind study found.

Researchers called it the first nationally representative study on ER visits for gun injuries among U.S. kids. They found that more than one-third of the wounded children were hospitalized and 6 percent died. Injuries declined during most of the 2006-14 study, but there was an upswing in the final year.

The researchers found that 11 of every 100,000 children and teens treated in U.S. emergency rooms have gun-related injuries. That amounts to about 8,300 kids each year.

The scope of the problem is broader though; the study doesn't include kids killed or injured by gunshots who never made it to the hospital, nor does it count costs for gunshot patients after they're sent home.

"I don't know what more we need to see in the world



In this Jan. 26, 2013, file photo, handguns are displayed on a vendor's table at an annual gun show in Albany, N.Y.

to be able to come together and tackle this problem," said Dr. Faiz Gani, the lead author and a researcher at Johns Hopkins University medical school.

The study is an analysis of estimates on emergency department visits in a national database created by the U.S. government's Agency on Healthcare Research and Quality.

The researchers focused on

victims under age 18; the average age was about 15.

Almost half the gun injuries were from assaults, nearly 40 percent were unintentional and 2 percent were suicides. There were five times more ER visits for boys than for girls.

Pediatric ER visits for gun injuries fell from a rate of 15 per 100,000 in 2006 to about 7 per 100,000 in 2013, then

jumped to 10 per 100,000 in 2014, the most recent data. University funding paid for the analysis, published Monday in JAMA Pediatrics.

The findings highlight that gun violence involving kids extends beyond mass shootings that gain the most attention, said Dr. Robert Sege, co-author of an American Academy of Pediatrics gun injuries poli-

cy.

"It's extraordinarily sad because these children grow up in fear and it affects their ability to feel safe and comfortable at home or in school. It has an enormous ripple effect on child development," said Sege, a Tufts University professor of medicine who was not involved in the research.

Pressure from the gun lobby has limited U.S. government funding for research on gun injuries and death, and that has led to big gaps in understanding the scope of the problem, said Dr. Denise Dowd, an ER physician at Children's Mercy hospital in Kansas City.

"It's really important that we have an idea of the magnitude of life lost and injured and how much money we are spending ... so we can prioritize it as a national health concern." But she said much more needs to be known for prevention.

"We need national surveillance systems just like we do with motor vehicle deaths, to track these injuries and figure out the circumstances," she said. □

EU lists air pollution hotspots as U.N. warns on child health



In this Oct. 9, 2018 file photo exhaust pipes of a car are pictured in Berlin, Germany.

Associated Press

By **JAN M. OLSEN**

Associated Press

COPENHAGEN, Denmark

(AP) — Air quality across Europe is slowly improving, but harmful emissions remain stubbornly high in some countries, according to a study released Monday by the European Environment Agency.

The Copenhagen-based agency calculated that air pollution caused more than half a million premature deaths across Europe in 2015 — mostly from tiny airborne particles known as PM2.5.

However, improvements in air quality mean the number of premature deaths is about half the level it was in 1990, the European Union agency said.

"Air pollution is an invisible killer and we need to step up our efforts to address the causes," said the agen-

cy's head, Hans Bruyninckx. Europe must "redouble its efforts to reduce emissions caused by transport, energy and agriculture and invest in making them cleaner and more sustainable," he added.

The European study was an updated overview and analysis of the air quality across 28 European Union countries and 11 non-EU countries from 2000 to 2016, the most recent year for which data was available. The data, collected by over 2,500 monitoring stations across the continent, found that road traffic continues to be one of the main sources of Europe's air pollution, with nitrogen oxide from diesel cars particularly prevalent in major cities such as London and Paris and in large parts of Germany and Turkey. Levels of nitrogen oxide, or

NOx, have declined since the start of the century, due in part to better filtering of the harmful gas. European automakers are under pressure from governments and the EU to further reduce their NOx emissions in the wake of revelations that some manufacturers were cheating in tests.

The EEA study also revealed that the highest concentrations of PM2.5 are in northern Italy, Poland, the Balkans and Turkey.

The Mediterranean region, meanwhile, recorded particularly high levels of toxic ozone, which is formed from chemical reactions of NOx and sunlight.

The EEA's warning was echoed by a report also released Monday by the World Health Organization, which cited the particular danger to children from air pollution. □

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Busy Philipps finds the way to stand out is by being herself

By ALICIA RANCILIO

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Guys, it's all happening for Busy Philipps.

She's got a New York Times best-selling book, "This Will Only Hurt a Little," and her late-night talk show on E! called "Busy Tonight" premieres Sunday at 10 p.m. EDT.

Philipps often posted photos online of her writing the book.

"I didn't even know that celebrities have other people write their books. Literally no one ever told me that until I was almost finished with mine," she says. "But one of my characteristics is I do enjoy doing things the hard way."

It's that kind of an unfiltered observation that has earned the 39-year-old a large following on Instagram. Philipps posts multiple stories there throughout the day, sharing everything from random observations that often begin with "guys," crying bouts in restaurants, and glimpses into her trampoline workouts. She says she began turning to Instagram when the acting opportunities weren't as appealing as in the past. (She's had regular roles on "Freaks and Geeks," "Dawson's Creek," "ER" and "Cougar Town.")



This Oct. 16, 2018 photo shows actress Busy Philipps posing for a portrait in New York to promote her memoir, "This Will Only Hurt a Little."

"I was at a point creatively where I wasn't being fulfilled as an actor. Instagram stories provided like a really incredible outlet for me and a way for me to scratch that itch."

And as Philipps grew a fan base just by being herself, the opportunities grew too. "Busy Tonight," is executive produced by Tina Fey.

"I respect her so much. I do

think I spent a lot of time in my career waiting for approval from people in this industry, waiting for someone to tell me I was doing a good job and that I was killing it, and no one was telling me that. Having the validation from someone like Tina honestly, at the end of the day, is better than any of those bros," she laughed.

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In "This Will Only Hurt a Little," she's forthcoming about both being sexually assaulted and having an abortion as a teenager. She also writes about an incident with James Franco on the set of "Freaks and Geeks," where he shoved her to the ground (she's recently taken to Instagram to express frustration over "click bait" teases about

the Franco mention) and a period of marital issues with her husband.

Philipps says she had no reservations about sharing those parts of her life.

"I was incredibly thoughtful about everything that I put in my book," she says. "It wasn't something that I wrote overnight. It took me a long time. And not only was it not something that I wrote overnight, it wasn't something that I just started thinking about the day that I started to write it. I've been thinking about this for a very, very long time."

She is conscious that she has a platform and says she asks herself what it is she wants to put forth into the world. Whether that's second book remains to be seen.

"The only thing I can liken it to is pregnancy and childbirth. I was so sure when I had my first daughter, Birdie, that we were one and done and I was never doing it again. And that's kind of how I feel about my book right now. But, sure enough, I have Cricket, who is my second child. I'm just not in the business at this point of saying, 'Never again' but I think it would take me a minute to figure out what it is that I want to say and what I want to write about." □

McConaughey gives back to first responders in Texas visit

By JOHN MONE

Associated Press

HOUSTON (AP) — NN:

Firefighters, police officers and 911 operators in Houston, Texas, got a surprise from a famous local as Oscar-winner Matthew McConaughey delivered a catered lunch to give thanks on National First Responders Day. The actor wheeled in a roasted turkey Sunday, to the shock of those at a fire department. Later, he did the same for police officers and 911 operators at other facilities. In an interview with The Associated Press, the Austin native said he wanted to do something in his home state, particu-



In this April 23, 2018 file photo, Matthew McConaughey, a cast member in the upcoming film "White Boy Rick," speaks during the Sony Pictures Entertainment presentation at CinemaCon 2018 in Las Vegas.

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ton. The city dealt with the devastating effects of Hurricane Harvey last year. He went as part of a promotion for Wild Turkey, for which he serves as a creative director and spokesman. "This year, I said, 'Let me get you down here to my home state,' and what's a good place to go," McConaughey said. "Harvey just hit last August here. So much of Houston was under water. ... We're going around here today, delivering a turkey, a little bourbon and a little gratitude to the men and women who responded first when that disaster hit," he said, though technically, no alcohol was given to

first responders on duty.

McConaughey also met with Houston's mayor, Sylvester Turner. Turner told the AP that McConaughey embodies the Texas and Houston spirit with his generosity, but also "never forgetting his roots." He told the AP that he voted Saturday, braving an hour and a half wait in line at an early polling place.

"It's not one of those lines that you get moved to the front, nor should you get moved to the front. It's one of those common denominators, 'Hey we're all in the same place as Americans,'" McConaughey said. □

'Halloween' carves up another \$32 million to top box office

By JAKE COYLE

AP Film Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Michael Meyers — or is it Jamie Lee Curtis? — can't be stopped. "Halloween" dominated the North American box office for the second straight weekend, carving up an estimated \$32 million in ticket sales.

The top four films were all unchanged at the North American box office, according to Sunday estimates, as Hollywood left "Halloween" to dominate the pre-trick-or-treating weekend. The sequel to John Carpenter's 1978 original, starring the 59-year-old Curtis as Laurie Strode, last week notched the biggest opening ever for a film with a female lead older than 55.

The Blumhouse Productions film, distributed by Universal Pictures, is already one of the highest grossing slasher films ever, with \$126.7 million in ticket sales (plus another \$45.6 million international) on just a \$10 million budget. "Halloween," directed by David Gordon Green, slid a relatively modest 58



This image released by Universal Pictures shows Jamie Lee Curtis in a scene from "Halloween."

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percent — especially good for a horror release — after setting a record for an October debut last weekend. Bradley Cooper's lauded "A Star Is Born" remained in second place with \$14 million in its fourth weekend. The film, starring Cooper and Lady Gaga, has thus far grossed \$148.7 million domestically, while prov-

ing an equally strong seller overseas for Warner Bros. It's made \$104.6 million internationally.

Sony's superhero spinoff "Venom" also stuck in third with \$10.8 million in its fourth weekend. The comic-book adaptation, starring Tom Hardy, has grossed \$504.8 million worldwide.

That trio of "Halloween," "Venom" and "A Star Is Born" has driven the Oc-

tober box office to a new high. With a few days to go, monthly ticket sales have already surpassed the record of \$757.1 million from 2014, according to comScore, with \$789.9 million in sales in October — traditionally a fairly sleepy month in movie theaters.

The submarine thriller "Hunter Killer," was deep-sixed with \$6.7 million. The Lionsgate release and Mil-

lennium production, stars Gerard Butler, Gary Oldman and Common. Like previous Butler-led action films like "Den of Thieves," "Geostorm," "London Has Fallen" and "Gods of Egypt," "Hunter Killer" received poor reviews (36 percent "fresh" on Rotten Tomatoes). But those films also fared far better abroad than in the U.S., something "Hunter Killer" will hope to repeat.

Other films in nationwide release also struggled to come anywhere close to the strong holdovers.

After a promising limited release last weekend, Jonah Hill's directorial debut, the coming-of-age skateboarding drama "Mid90s," took in a mediocre \$3 million 1,206 theaters for A24. Pure Flix's Christian war film drama "Indivisible" took in \$1.6 million on 830 screens. "Johnny English Strikes Again," the third film in the 15-year-old Rowan Atkinson comedy franchise, opened with a mere \$1.6 million, though it, too, was designed with more of an international focus. (It's already earned \$107.7 million overseas.) □

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Review: Stephen King raises the bar with 'Elevation'



This cover image released by Scribner shows "Elevation," a novel by Stephen King.

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By ROB MERRILL

Associated Press

After more than four decades of banging out best-sellers, Stephen King still has the power to surprise his beloved "constant readers." Consider "Elevation,"

which the book jacket calls a novel, but which clocks in under 150 pages and takes about 90 minutes to read. Guess how you feel when it's over?

Happy! Maybe even ... hopeful?

Those aren't emotions typically ascribed to King books, which often feature gallons of blood (Hello, Carrie!), killer cars or things that go much more than bump in the night.

The biggest evil in "Elevation" is closed-mindedness, as a few townsfolk in Castle Rock, Maine, don't look too kindly on the same-sex couple that has opened a vegetarian Mexican joint on the main drag.

Enter Scott Carey, the hero of King's slim story. We learn by page three that Scott is "losing weight," as he

tells his retired friend, Doctor Bob. According to the scale, the pounds are sliding off at an alarming rate, but anyone looking at Scott sees the same overweight man they always have. Most mysteriously, he can't even make the needle on the scale move higher. As King writes, "whatever he wore or carried that was supposed to weigh him down ... didn't."

Scott isn't the type to head to a hospital for a battery of tests. He feels better as the pounds come off, his energy rises and he commits to making a difference in his community. The plot turns on one act of kindness that changes the fate of a few characters and makes it possible for Scott to orchestrate what he begins to call "Zero Day." □

Tyler Perry and Tiffany Haddish somber at film premiere

By JOHN CARUCCI

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — At the world premiere of his new film, "Nobody's Fool," Tyler Perry hoped that "good people" from all backgrounds will "step up and do the right thing" to end the divisive speech that many believe has led to violence.

Perry, who serves as the film's writer, director and producer, expressed his anger on the purple carpet before a screening in New York on Sunday. He denounced "people using their microphone and platform for division to tear us apart just to win."

"I'm hoping that good people will step up and do the right thing. Black, white, Republican, Democrat, gay, straight — step up, vote, do the right thing to make sure that this kind of voice and rhetoric is extinguished," Perry said.

Perry was reeling from violent events over the last few days, including 11 people killed after a gunman opened fire in a Pittsburgh synagogue and a Florida man arrested for allegedly



Tiffany Haddish and Tyler Perry attend the world premiere of "Nobody's Fool" at AMC Loews Lincoln Square on Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018, in New York.

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mailing pipe bombs former president Barack Obama, CNN, Bill and Hillary Clinton's home and actor Rob-

ert De Niro.

"Nobody's Fool" star Tiffany Haddish hopes that in some way the film can provide an escape from the violence and threats over the last couple of days.

"Well, it has been a lot of tragedy, and a lot of bad things going on this past week. And I think the best medicine for that is to laugh, to find some way to escape a little bit," Haddish said.

Haddish stars in the comedy as a woman recently released from prison who reunites with her sister. But she soon discovers that her sister, played by Tika Sumpter, is in an online relationship with a man she thinks may be manipulating her. "Nobody's Fool" is out Nov. 2.

Omari Hardwicke, who also co-stars in the film, thinks it's the entire world that has become harsher, and sees some non-political issues as contributors.

"I feel the country is colder, way more callous. People don't care as much. There is a spiritual nature that is gone in households, and kids are growing up way

too fast," Hardwicke said.

Mehcad Brooks, who plays one of the men in Sumpter's character's life, said he's especially bothered by President Donald Trump's continued attacks on the press.

"My mother is a journalist. I take it very personally," he said, referring to Austin American-Statesman editorial writer, Alberta Phillips. At a rally in Charlotte, North Carolina, on Sunday, the president continued his attacks on the media, saying they are taking the "sinister actions of one individual to score political points." The crowd broke into frequent chants of "CNN sucks!"

Brooks says as long as progressive thinkers are split over minor issues, those people who attack democracy will continue to thrive.

"I think when more open-minded people fragment themselves, and fragment the movements, it's easier for that side to win," he said. "It's easier for the exclusive mind that doesn't want to allow inclusion and diversity — it's easier for them to win." □

Author Ntozake Shange of 'For Colored Girls' fame has died

By MARK KENNEDY

AP Entertainment Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Playwright, poet and author Ntozake Shange, whose most acclaimed theater piece is the 1975 Tony Award-nominated play "For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide/When the Rainbow is Enuf," died Saturday, according to her daughter. She was 70.

Shange's "For Colored Girls" describes the racism, sexism, violence and rape experienced by seven black women. It has been influential to generations of progressive thinkers, from #MeToo architect Tarana Burke to Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Lynn Nottage. After learning of Shange's death, Nottage called her "our warrior poet/dramatist."

Savannah Shange, a pro-

fessor of anthropology at the University of California at Santa Cruz, said Saturday that her mother died in her sleep at an assisted living facility in Bowie, Maryland. She had suffered a series of strokes in 2004.

"She spoke for, and in fact embodied, the ongoing struggle of black women and girls to live with dignity and respect in the context of systemic racism, sexism and oppression," Savannah Shange said.

"For Colored Girls" is an interwoven series of poetic monologues set to music — Shange coined the form a "choreopoem" for it — by African-American women, each identified only by a color that she wears.

Shange used idiosyncratic punctuation and nonstandard spellings in her work,

challenging conventions. One of her characters shouts, "i will raise my voice / & scream & holler / & break things & race the engine / & tell all yr secrets bout yrself to yr face."

It played some 750 performances on Broadway — only the second play by an African-American woman after "A Raisin in the Sun" — and was turned into a feature film by Tyler Perry starring Thandie Newton, Anika Noni Rose, Kerry Washington and Janet Jackson.

Born Paulette Williams in Trenton, New Jersey, she went on to graduate from Barnard College and got a master's degree from the University of Southern California. Her father, Dr. Paul T. Williams, was a surgeon. Her mother, Eloise Owens Williams, was a professor of social work. She



In this Oct. 25, 2010 file photo, author Ntozake Shange attends a special screening of "For Colored Girls" at the Ziegfeld Theatre in New York.

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later assumed a new Zulu name: Ntozake means "She who comes with her own things" and Shange means "She who walks like a lion."

"For Colored Girls" opened at the Public Theater in downtown Man-

hattan, with Shange, then 27, performing as one of the women. The New York Times reviewer called it "extraordinary and wonderful" and "a very humbling but inspiring thing for a white man to experience." It earned Shange an Obie Award and she won a second such award in 1981 for her adaptation of Bertolt Brecht's "Mother Courage and Her Children" at the Public Theater.

Shange's other 15 plays include "A Photograph: A Study of Cruelty" (1977), "Boogie Woogie Landscapes" (1977), "Spell No. 7" (1979) and "Black and White Two Dimensional Planes" (1979).

Her list of published works includes 19 poetry collections, six novels, five children's books and three collections of essays. □

Anger toward media spreads into local communities

By **DAVID BAUDER**
AP Media Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The hostility she's felt from the public recently wasn't necessarily the last straw in television news photographer Lori Bentley-Law's decision to quit the business after 24 years, but it was one of them.

Bentley-Law's recent blog post explaining why she was leaving Los Angeles' KNBC-TV hit home for many colleagues. While President Donald Trump's attacks on the media are usually centered on national outlets like CNN and The New York Times, the attitudes unleashed have filtered down to journalists on the street covering news in local communities across the country.

When a president describes the press as enemies of the people, "attitudes shift and the field crews get the brunt of the abuse," she wrote. "And it's not just from one side. We get it all the way around, pretty much on a daily basis."

The Radio Television Digital News Association is spreading safety and self-defense tips to journalists, most notably advising limits on the use of one-person news crews. The RTDNA has begun compiling anti-press incidents, like last week when an intruder was shot after kicking down glass doors at Fox's local station in Washington. The National Press Photographers Association is developing workshops to spread safety advice to its members. "The environment has changed," said Chris Post, a photographer for WFMZ-TV in Allentown, Pennsylvania. "I've witnessed the transition." CNN White House correspondent Jim Acosta made news last week by saying Trump's attacks on the media "have got to stop" because he feared someone would get hurt. He's been the target of chants and epithets when covering Trump rallies, including one recently where a man looked at him and made a motion like he was slitting a throat. Since then, three



In this Oct. 4, 2018 file photo, a Trump supporter holds up a T-shirt reading "You Are Fake News" before a rally by President Donald Trump in Rochester, Minn.



In this April 28, 2018 file photo, an audience member holds a 'fake news' sign during a President Donald Trump rally in Washington Township, Mich.

suspicious packages have been addressed to separate CNN offices.

While the examples of Acosta and others who follow Trump are most visible, there are countless other, more private examples that happen across the country — like when Post arrived to cover an immigration rally and a man in a car asked him where he was going. Told it was a pro-immigration rally, the man became agitated and stepped on his accelerator, stopping just short of hitting Post and giving him a self-satisfied look, Post recalled.

"I'm 6-foot-5, 300 pounds," he said. "I've had somebody try to grab my camera. When it gets to that point, where does it stop? It's a tough time to be a journalist."

Caitlin Penna, a freelance photographer from Durham, North Carolina, said she constantly has her guard up on assignments. Even her conservative family is suspicious of her. "I'm pretty sure my grandmother thinks I'm this far-left liberal because of the things I cover," she said.

One night she was unwinding at a local bar and struck up a conversation with a man nearby. When she discussed what she did, the man said, "you report fake news" and walked away. Bentley-Law was startled when the essay on leaving her job got 11,000 hits in three days. She usually counts readers to her personal blog in the dozens. Her intention was to tell friends and colleagues why she was leaving, and

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instead was flooded with texts and emails from frustrated journalists across the country. "I suppose my experience isn't unique and certainly resonated," Bentley-Law, who declined to be interviewed, said via email. On her blog, she wrote that "I don't want to be immersed in sadness every day. I don't ever want a cute little girl in pigtails to look up at me and say, 'We hate you.' I don't want to hear 'fake news' shouted at me anymore, or to be flipped off while driving my news van."

She said that some of the incidents she wrote about — the hateful little girl and the man who stuck his bare butt out the window and defecated — predate Trump. There are other factors that contributed to her desire to leave, including shoulder woes from carrying heavy equipment for many years and a constant diet of murders and other depressing story assignments. But the current environment is definitely part of it. People who drive vans emblazoned with a television station's call letters are obvious targets. One recent day, Bentley-Law wrote that a person in a Mercedes prevented her van from getting off a highway until several exits beyond her destination. Video journalist Joshua Re-

plogle of The Associated Press was filming flooding from Hurricane Florence in North Carolina's rural Bladen County when a nearby man knocked over his camera and began punching him in the face. His friends muttered, "fake news." So far no charges have been filed, he said.

"The ironic part is my video would have helped him," Replogle said. "It would have brought attention to a small town" where there was flooding, he said.

So far this year the RTDNA's "press freedom tracker" counts 39 incidents of journalists being attacked in the United States, including the June 28 shooting at the Capital Gazette in Annapolis, Maryland, where five people were killed. In less lethal examples, a man purposely crashed a pickup truck into the side of a Dallas television station, a Miami reporter and a photographer were physically attacked while doing a live shot and a North Carolina crew had its power cable cut while covering a demonstration. Last year, the first time a count was kept, there were 48 such cases for all of 2017.

While one-person crews have become more popular for television stations looking to cut costs, the Radio Television Digital News Association recommends that their use be curtailed in certain times and places, said Dan Shelley, RTDNA executive director.

"Since the election, people are emboldened more," said Nic Coury, a staff photographer at the Monterey County Weekly and a freelancer in the affluent California county.

Coury has been called part of the liberal scum media, an enemy of the state and been told old that he and his colleagues lie all the time. When conservative Arizona politician and law enforcement officer Joe Arpaio made a local appearance, "it was like walking into the dragon's lair," he said. Coury felt the anger when asking people for caption information. □